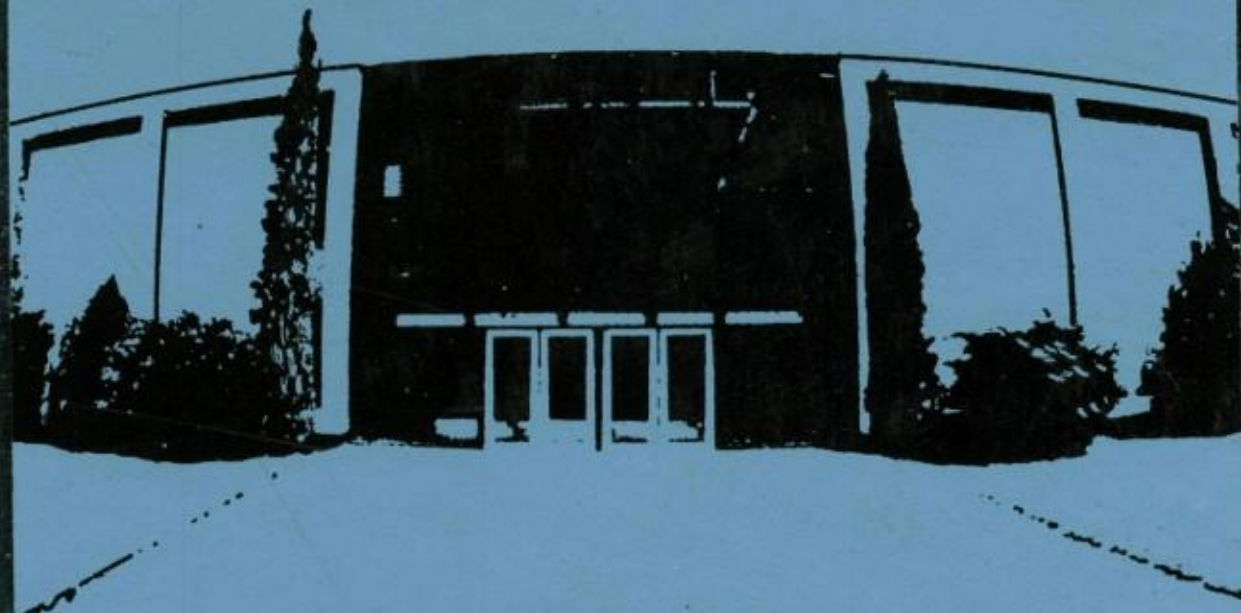
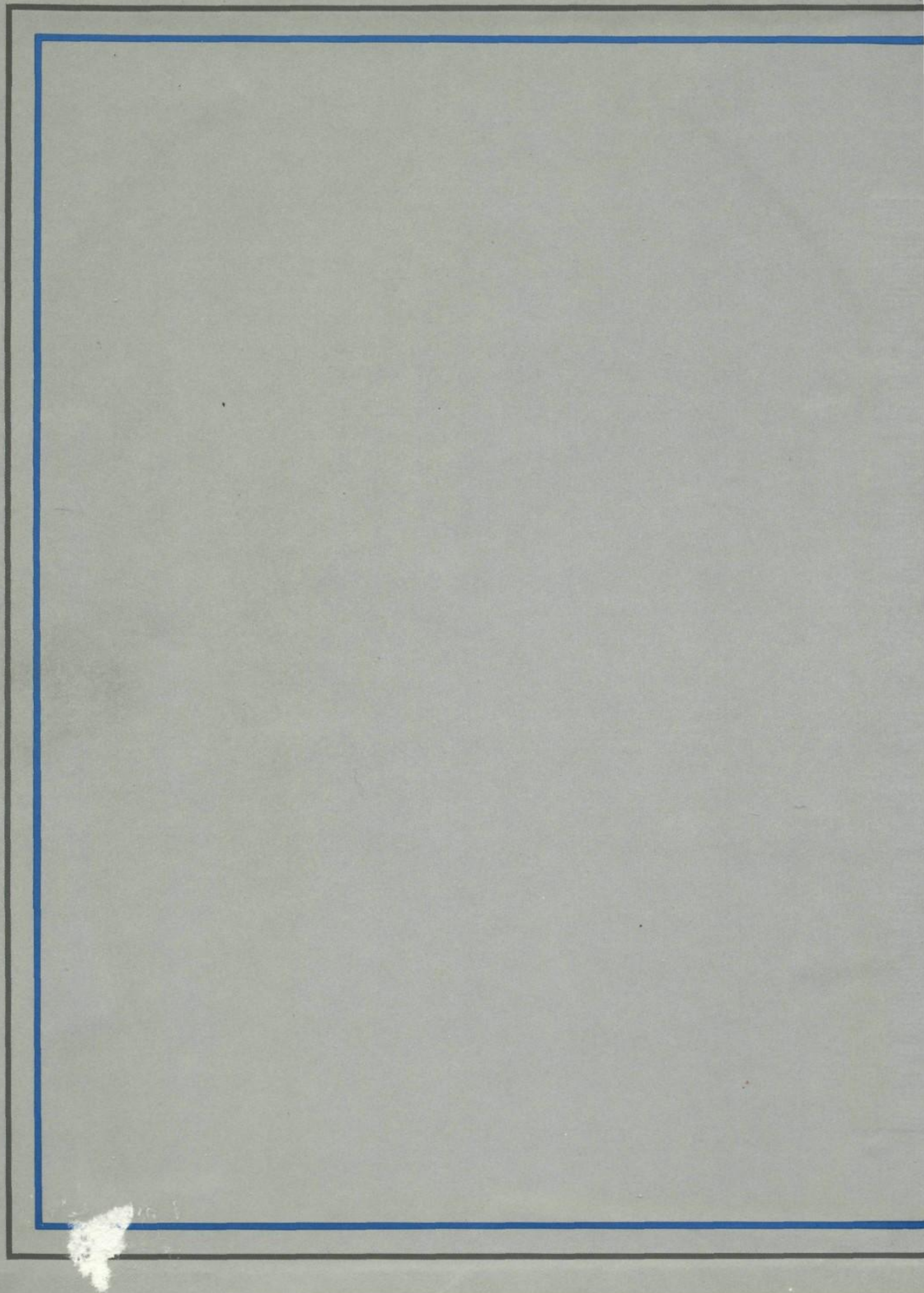


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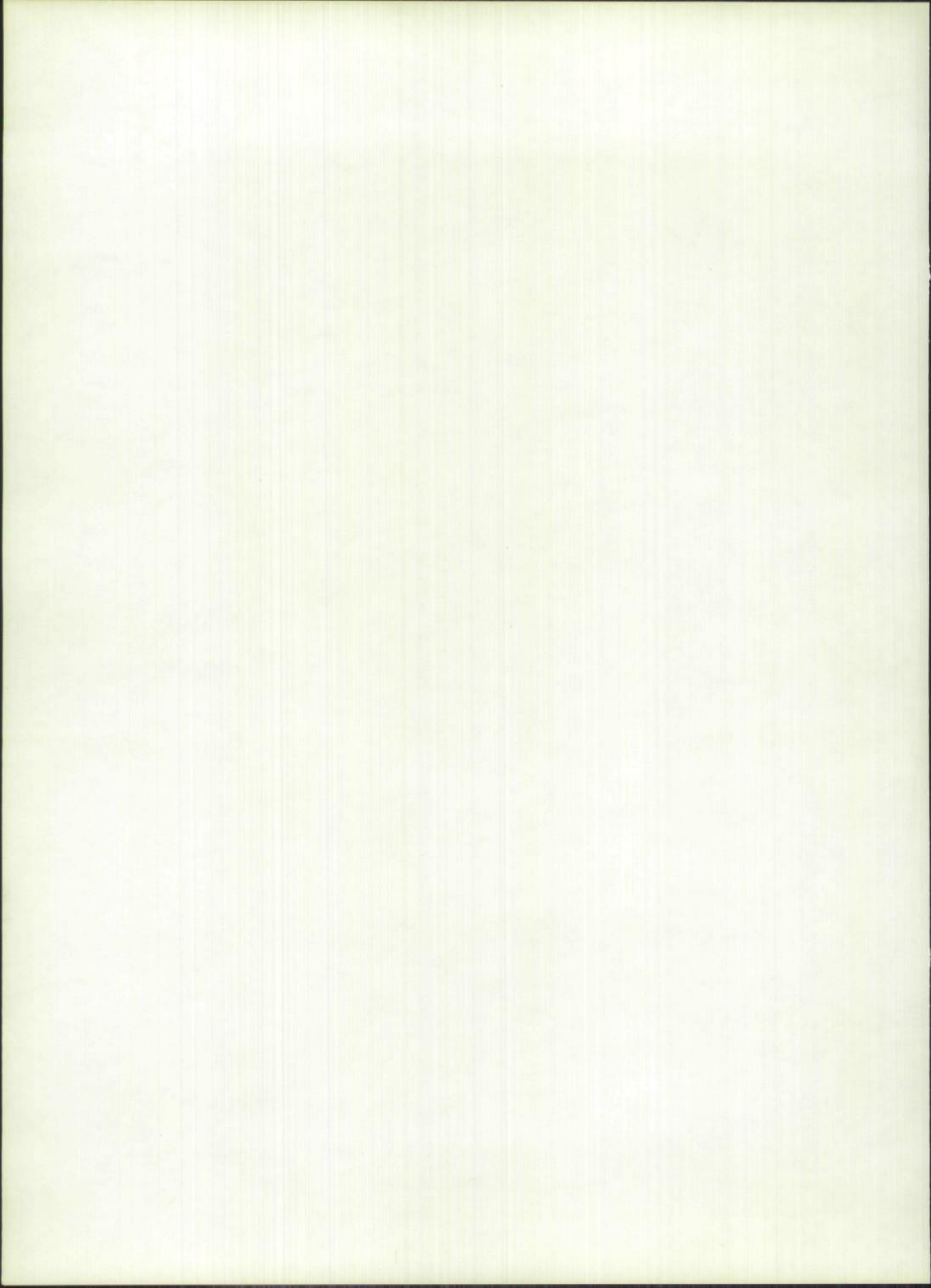


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.... Of A Community



Nestled among the pines and greenery of Houston's suburban northwest area, Spring Branch has gained the reputation of being the abode of some of the city's most respected citizens as well as producing young men and women, well educated and thoroughly prepared to face the challenges they will encounter in life.

Spring Branch is best known for its superior education system which is provided by the Spring Branch Independent School District. Many newcomers to Houston are attracted to the area solely for the educational opportunities that this high-calibre district offers.

Since the industrial population remains low in Spring Branch, the citizens of the community carry the majority of the tax burden to finance the district. Yet, most are indifferent to the higher taxes since they support a district which has gained national, as well as state-wide, recognition for excellence.

The majority of Spring Branch residents remain active throughout the year, participating in sports, religions and community activities.

Children that are fortunate enough to be brought

up in such a vibrant and fresh community enjoy excellent schools, modern sporting facilities, such as the natatorium, numerous basketball and tennis courts and the convenient Dad's Club-YMCA.

As a part of Houston, the Spring Branch community has done well for herself. She is the home of much of Houston's business community. Though Spring Branch does not possess within her boundaries any of Houston's performing arts centers, she does possess a wide variety of entertainment spots for all ages.

Inside the Spring Branch area is the incorporated city of Spring Valley. It is in the city of Spring Valley that Spring Branch High School is located. The Spring Branch and Spring Valley citizens take an active role in the life of Spring Branch High. They are the supporters of its athletic teams and various organizations. Some of them are its teachers and staff members. Most of them are its students. Still others are volunteers who work with some of the organizations' fund-raising projects. But whatever their role in the function of Spring Branch High, they are always there to depend on!



1. Mr. Leslie Plumley, an employee of Spring Branch Independent School District, oversees parking lot activities during the morning and afternoon rushes at Spring Branch High. Mr. Plumley is a resident of Spring Branch. 4. The Spring Branch area has a fairly large business community. West Memorial Park is a small business complex located off Bingle Road. Many of Spring Branch's residents, and even some Spring Branch High students, are employees in this complex. 7. All year round the Stars and Stripes fly proudly along with the Lone Star flag over Spring Valley City Hall and over Spring Branch High.





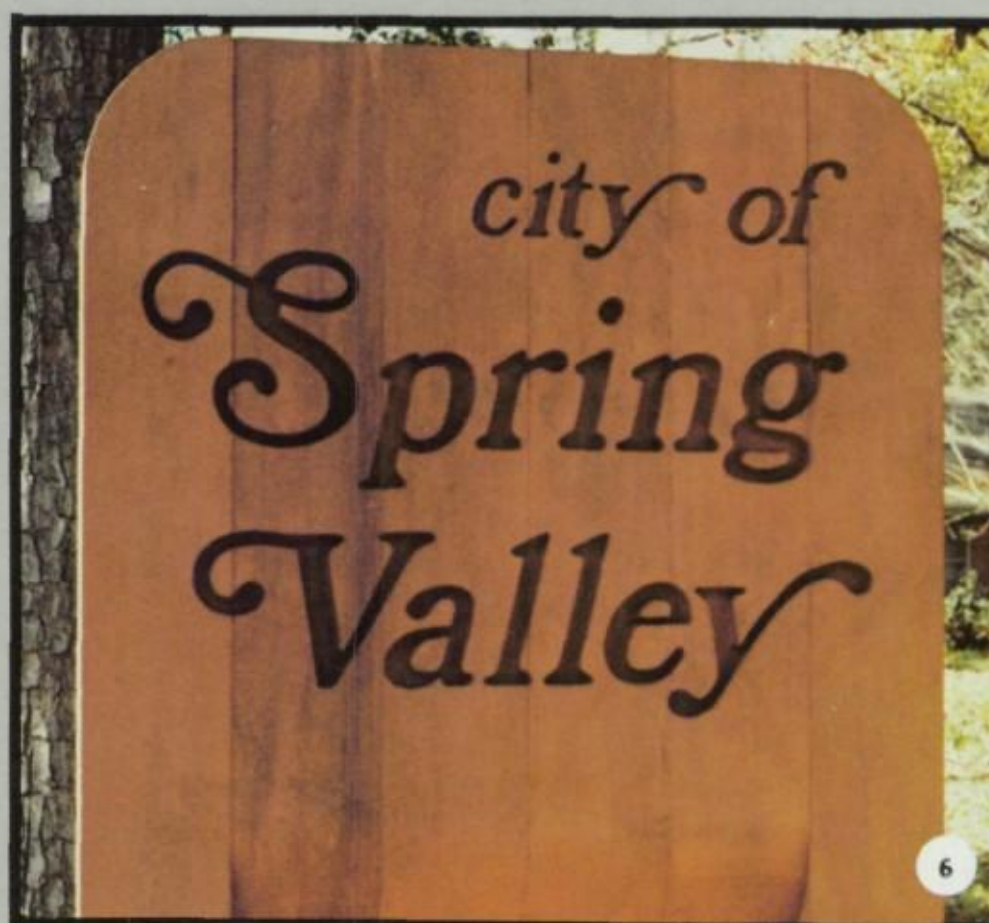
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2. David D. Layton Park, located on the City of Spring Valley City Hall grounds, was dedicated to the former city mayor after he moved to Odessa, Texas in 1978.

3. Mr. Gatti's Pizza Parlor on Wirt Road, is a popular gathering place for Spring Branch students on Friday nights after football games and dances.

5. Vice President George Bush, a former resident of Houston, met in May with Mrs. Peggy Fraser, government teacher, and Chi Ha, sophomore, at a luncheon held in Houston. Chi Ha won a history contest at Spring Branch High.

6. The City of Spring Valley, in its efforts to improve the appearance of the small city, put up a number of wooden markers at the city limit borders.

8. The City of Spring Valley City Hall is located on Campbell Road not far from Spring Branch High. Junior students often include a visit to the City Hall in their summer visitation projects for their government classes in their senior year.

IMAGES

... of a school



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1. At 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 25, masses of senior guys in bizarre costumes swarmed the main hall. The incident? The annual Senior Guys' Slave Sale.

2. Miss Chris Smith, special education teacher, spends much time working side by side with her students.

3. On Slave Day, the slave owners were pulled around in wagons, baby carriages, and wheel barrows. Senior Nancy Hobbs often rolls around on skates all day.

4. The wild 'n' crazy personality of the bad broke out at all the pep rallies during the Bears' winning season.

Students in northwest Houston attend Spring Branch High School. These students live in an older section of Houston and go to the oldest high school in the Spring Branch Independent School District. In fact, Spring Branch High, which has stood on its ground since 1951, and first opened its doors on September 8, 1952, is the namesake of the entire school district. SBH is certainly older and more worn than the other five high schools in the district, but it is the foundation of the entire district. It began, perhaps, as idea or dream to provide the best education possible for the community's youth.

Though the physical building appears old and worn and could even use a paint job, the school carries with its age, countless traditions and memories.

No longer the center of SBISD, but a vital part of its workings, Spring Branch High reflects the roots of a system: the

grass roots.

The students who go to SBH are representative of the average American. While living in a city that is known for its rapid growth and booming prosperity, these students are not overly affluent and are still rather conservative. They still retain traditional American roles and values.

However, some of the school's policies have been altered over the years, and some of the older traditions have been broken. The school has continuously met the needs of a community that was continuously changing. The old, broken traditions reflect some of the changing attitudes in Houston, and in the USA.

Spring Branch High, perhaps, is Houston's melting pot. It is a melting pot in regard to the types of students that attend the school. Its students possess a

wide diversity of interests and ambitions, and it is ready to enhance those interests and further those ambitions. With the other SBISD high schools, Spring Branch shares a nationally recognized curriculum. It also has several large vocational programs to start students off in the business and trade worlds. It also has three special programs not found elsewhere in the district: The English as a Second Language program, the Special Education program, and the Vocational Agricultural program.

Because of its history of growth and change, Spring Branch High is not to be looked on as having the worn, outdated image of an obsolete high school but as having an image of dignity that age and tradition bring. SBH is a school which has changed and has managed to retain its ability to meet the needs of its community.



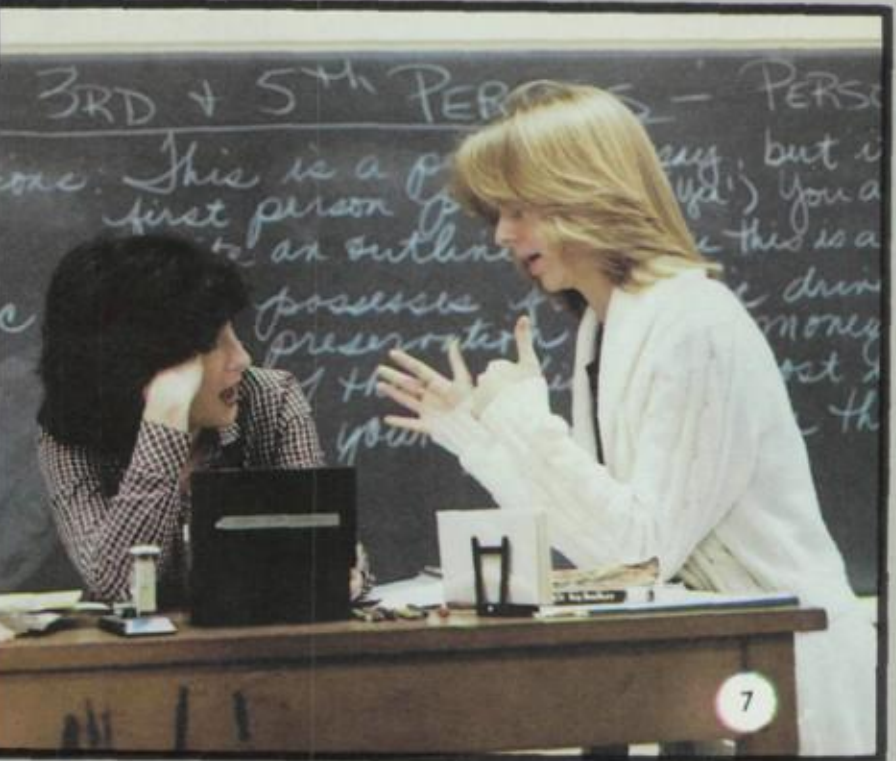
5. Junior Candy Bostock takes a cat nap during a long girls' Cross Country track meet at Bear Creek Park.

6. Sophomore John Wynn and freshman Mike Phillips check the sound system before a weekend dance begins. The Pee Vee sound system used at all dances was bought by the 1979-1980 Student Council. The drama department takes on the responsibility of providing and playing the music at dances, and is paid \$150 for each dance. Fifty dollars of this is put into a maintenance fund for the system. This year, the system was stolen and replaced by a vandalism fund provided by the school district.

7. Mrs. Nancy Rodgers, English teacher, and Lori White, senior, discuss possible topics for a personal theme paper during a first semester Comparative Novels class.

8. Freshmen Patricia Hawkinson, leads the flute section of the band in playing the Spring Branch Alma Mater.

9. Spring Branch High has, amidst its student body, a number of amateur, and even professional, musical bands. Among these is the band that entertained at the FFA dance held at the VFW Hall on Campbell Road.



IMAGES

... Of People

In any establishment which has a single, unique image to uphold, there can be found a group of people striving to uphold that image. Within that group there is a wide variety of fascinating, colorful, dynamic people, each striving to uphold his or her very own unique image. The right combination of these people, growing, learning, playing, and experiencing together, is Spring Branch High — they are its image.

There are over 2100 individuals involved in the daily life of SBHS. They are faculty members, students, administrators, secretaries, janitors and even visitors. Some are popular, outspoken, gregarious, and active. Others are subdued, quiet, and introspective. They come from a diversity of backgrounds. They are of all colors and creeds, from all financial classes. Some are native Houstonians. Others are from across the state, across the nation, and even

across the world. Each, with pieces of his own background culture and traditions, helps to build the culture and traditions of Spring Branch High.

Individuals. That's what they are. There are no two exactly the same; no two even come close. Each has his own talents and gifts that can be utilized in classrooms or organizations. Major or minor, seen or unseen, their contributions are equally important.

They are real, genuine people. They come from real places, and have real personalities. They have real likes and dislikes, real fears, interests, and eccentricities. They come together at Spring Branch High to build each other up — **and** break each other down. They work together as teams, and they compete against each other for various honors. They congratulate each other and they envy each other.

Interaction. It's the key word. It actually builds the image of Spring Branch. Each personality, though individual, constantly joins with hundreds of others. They help each other study and learn. They help each other play and relax. This interaction is evident in the hallways, in the classrooms, on the stages and on the playing fields. It is even evident after school hours. In the movie theaters, dance halls, and restaurants where they meet with friends and dates, these personalities continue to interact.

It can be seen that there is no typical Spring Brancher. And it can be seen that this colorful mixture of people is what gives SBHS the image it has. Whoever these people are and wherever they come from, they all have one thing in common: they are all striving to uphold the Spring Branch image.



1. Though the Bruin Brigade was very small this year, each Brigade member held fast to the organization's custom of being the Bears' most active supporters. Trach Perwin, sophomore, joins in the cheering.

2. Veda Montalbano, 1980-81 cheerleader, flashes her spirited grin to the crowd while encouraging them to yell for the Bears.

3. Girls will be girls! Even while at a meet, Joanie Ferguson, senior, finds the time to have her hair done by Pat Bayley.

4. A duet in the stands? At each halftime show, some band members remained in the stands as alternates.





5. Freshman Kaycie Roush and Chris Columbo, sophomore, get into the swing of things at a Victory Dance in October.

6. Apparently, Richard Fowler, freshman, sees something on the dance floor that he doesn't like. The variety of music at dances catered to the different personalities that make up the student body at Spring Branch.

7. Part of the fun of being on one of Spring Branch's athletic teams is the feeling of togetherness that develops between the members! Here, the girls' Cross Country team "relaxes" together after a meet at Bear Creek Park.

8. Bruce Pfaff, drum major, directs one of the band's many successful halftime shows. "I like knowing I'm responsible for the way the show comes out. If it comes out good, I feel great!" said Bruce, senior.

9. Mark Johnson and Ray Broussard, SB alumni, and their dates, Melanie McDonald and Christine Wilford, try a new approach to the semi-formal Homecoming Dance!

IMAGES

... Of Our Pride

Pride. It's defined as dignity, self-respect, and a satisfaction in something done or owned. Everyone has pride, to some extent. Pride is the backbone of every great establishment. Pride is the backbone of Spring Branch High School.

It is obvious that the students and faculty at Spring Branch High have an immense pride in their school and in what they achieve while there. It is a non-verbal element that is present in every classroom and at every club meeting every day. It becomes evident at the pep rallies and on nights when awards are given away.

Dignity is defined as worthiness, or being of an honorable quality. Spring Branch High is certainly worthy and of an honorable quality! Its band, orchestra, and chorale, as well as its drama department, vocational and agricultural programs, and various other organizations and athletic teams, are continuously competing in district, and even state, contests, and coming out on or near the top.

Having self-respect is having a feeling of

honor or esteem for oneself. It is obvious that this feeling is present in Spring Branch students and faculty members. It becomes evident in the work they do. It seems that they give their all, and then some, in order to be the best at what they do.

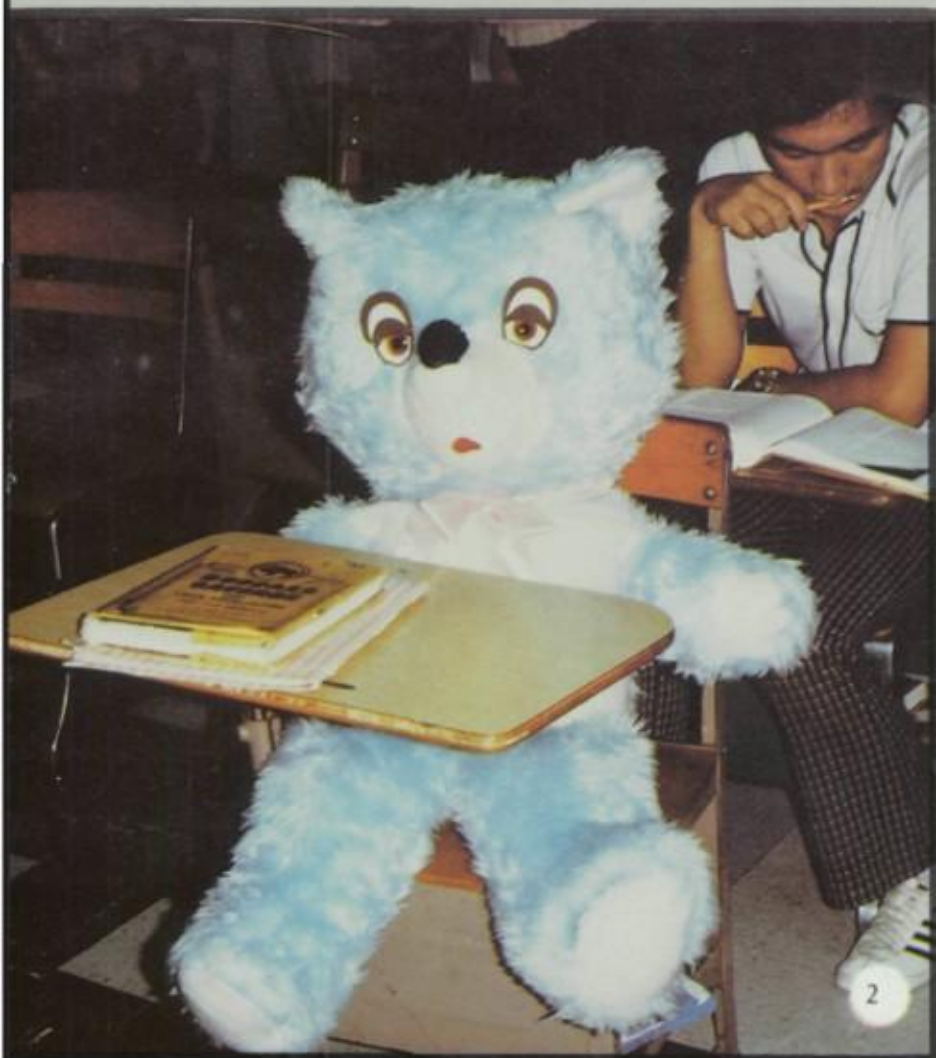
A feeling of satisfaction is a feeling of contentment. It is the result of dignity and self-respect. It enables the students and faculty at Spring Branch to sit back for a moment and view with confidence, their achievements.

All three of these words: dignity, self-respect, and satisfaction, spell out pride. Though it sometimes wavers, or has to be swallowed in order to move ahead, our pride is the most enduring characteristic of Spring Branch High.

This feeling, this pride, is not only in our school and our achievements there. The feeling is extended into our community, our state, and even our country. All of this pride, for our school and for the place we live, is the kind of pride that causes us to declare, "I'm **proud** to be a Bear!"



1. Good sportsmanship plays a major role in the spirit of Spring Branch High. After winning a race against Northbrook runner Kenny Larkins, Lon Davidek, junior, congratulates him on a race well run.
3. Cheerleaders Jerry Meza and Carol Herstein display the result of many hours of cheerleading practice.
4. Each year SBISD sponsors the Close-Up field trip to Washington, DC. Juniors and seniors from across the district stay in the capital for a week touring and sitting in on exclusive sessions. This year, the group was able to watch the Presidential Inauguration.
5. The rainy weather did not dampen spirits at the Homecoming Game in September.



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2. During football season, stuffed bears of all shapes and sizes showed up on the campus and at the games. The Bear Backers Booster Club sold stuffed bears and "Love ya, Blue!" T-shirts, and distributed "Love ya, Blue!" posters at the football games.

6. Each week during football season, either the Cheerleading squad or one of the seniors' spirit clubs designed a tear-through for the team to run through when they returned to the field after the half-time show.

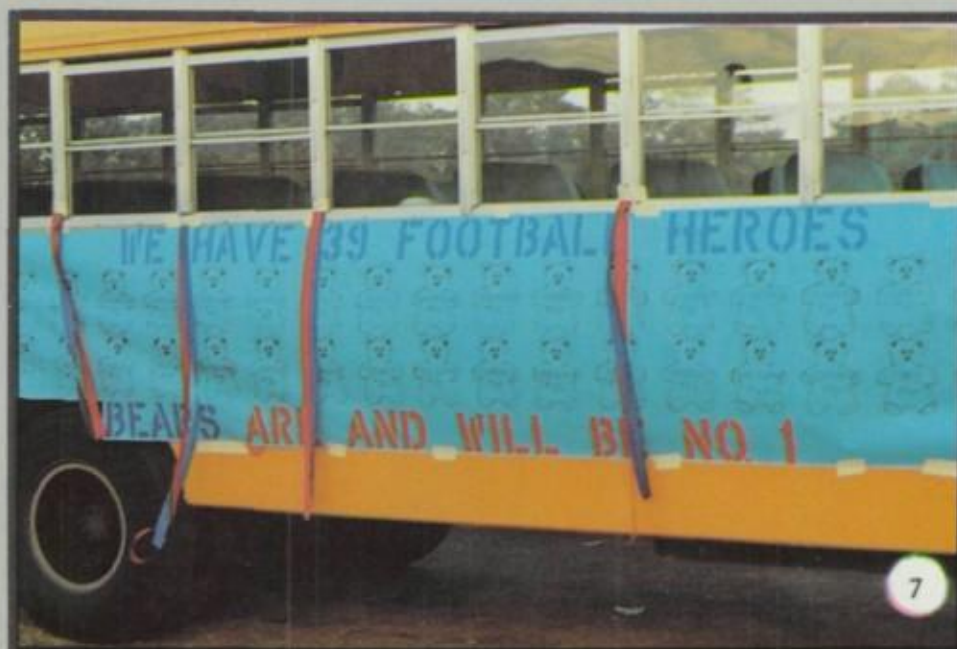
7. As the varsity Bears bombarded their opponents throughout the 1980-1981 football season, the Bear Backers continuously demonstrated their support for the team by decorating the team bus before it left for the games, and by cheering at all of the games.

8. Freshman Patricia Hawkinson leads the flute section of the band in playing the Spring Branch Alma Mater. The Spring Branch marching band, led by Mr. Glenn Denty, often made the SB fans proud by giving fantastic half-time shows.

9. This year's host of political events, including the Presidential election and the releasing of the American hostages in Iran, promoted another burst of patriotism in high school students. Juniors Becky O'Reilly and Vicki Triana pose proudly with "Old Glory" in the student parking lot.



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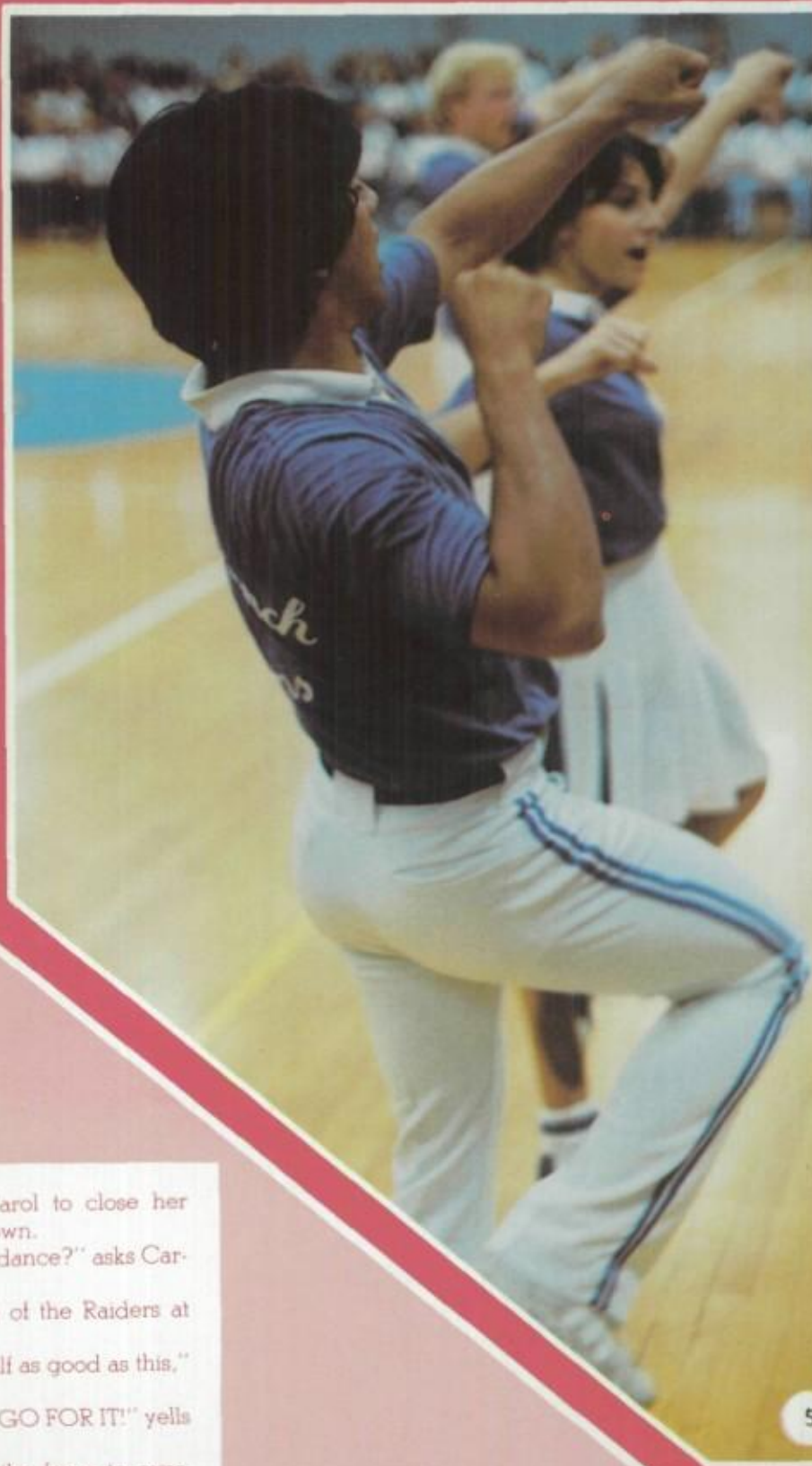


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As the Bears charge on, it can always be said that Spring Branch fans are not far behind. It doesn't seem to matter whether they win or lose. The Bears can always turn to the students and faculty members to make their tattered spirits soar.

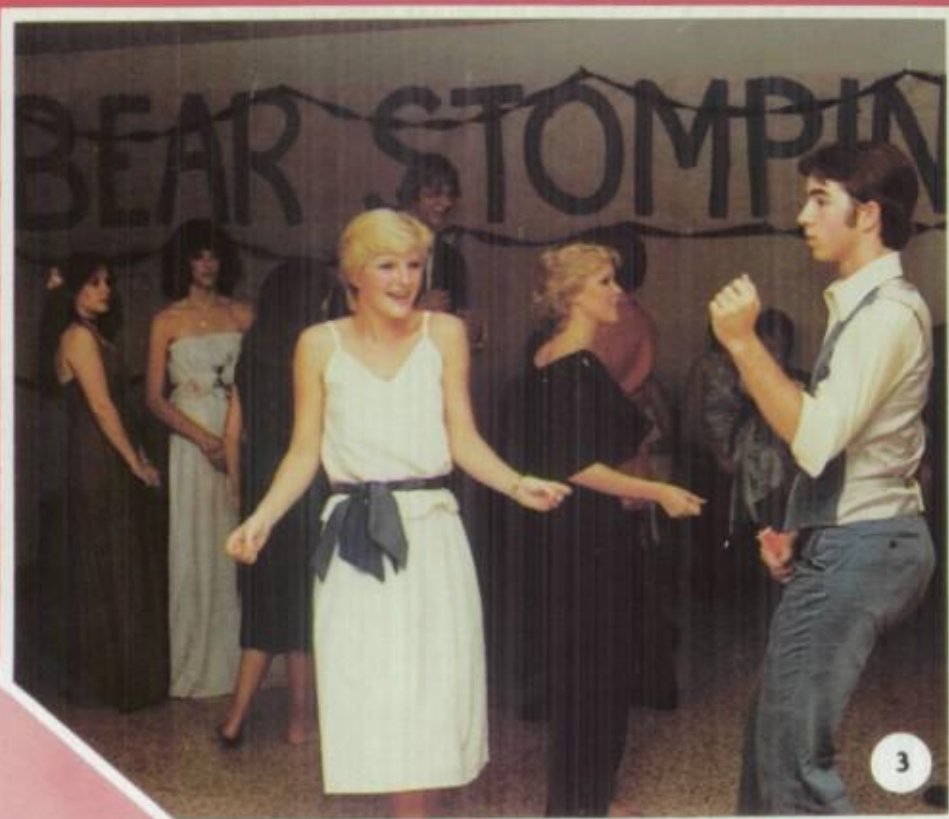
The pep-rallies were the place to find this love and energy. Although new rules were established about behavior in the gym during pep-rallies, this didn't seem to stop the Bear fans from showing their spirit. The energy shown in the pep-rallies seemed to last all day and into the night. This helped the Bears face the challenge that the opposing teams seemed to bring.

Maybe the Bears could win without their fans, but it's always nice to know that if the Bears slip, they always have something to fall back on True Blue SPIRIT!!!

1. Bill Morgan tells Carol to close her eyes and don't look down.
2. "Who taught him to dance?" asks Carol Kaufmann.
3. Bears make rubbish of the Raiders at Homecoming.
4. "College life isn't half as good as this," said Tom Barnette.
5. "Come on team . . . GO FOR IT!" yells Jerry Meza.
6. Spring Branch has the force to overcome Darth "Raider."
7. "This makes being a cheerleader really worthwhile," says Isobel Murphy.



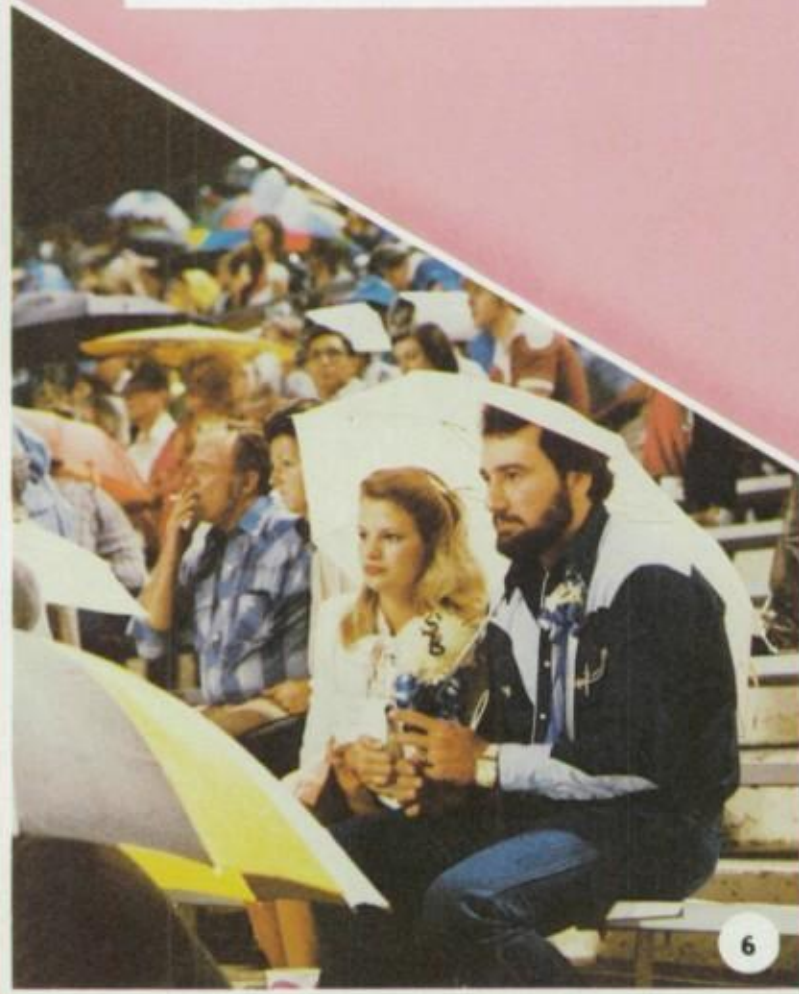
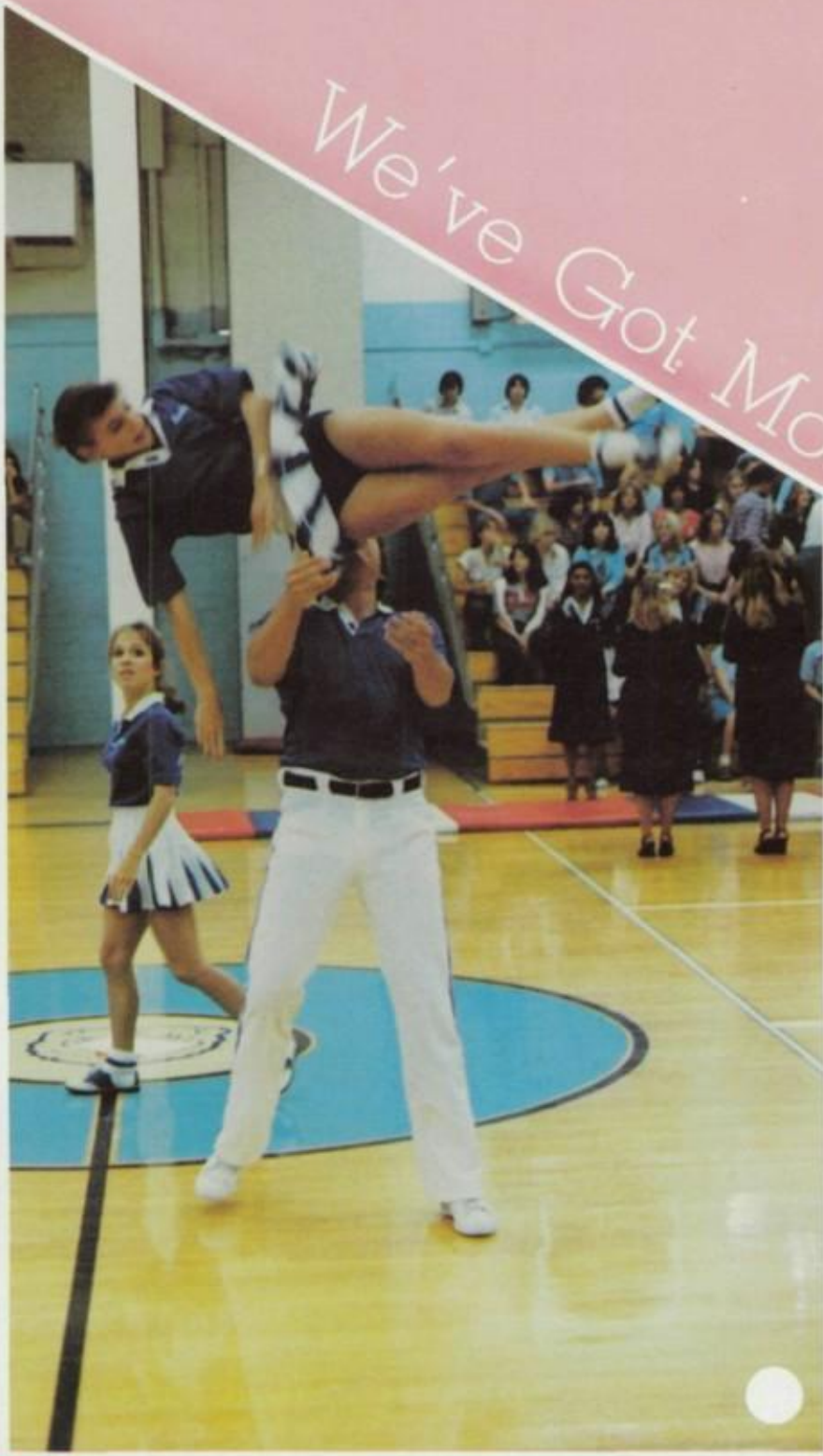
We've Got
Spirit . . .



We've Got More

We've Got More

1. Donna Evans "stops and smells the roses" as Homecoming Queen.
2. Chums say, "We love the Bears this much!"
3. Donna Beckam and Mark Patton do thier own Bear stompin'.
4. "Ronnie, I thought you said there was a keg out here?" says Craig Chappell.
5. "They're not going to make me do that, are they?" thinks Tina Tellez.
6. The crowd waits in the rain for the Bears to lead them to victory.
7. Flags strut their stuff.
8. "Who am I? ... the drunk cowboy!" asks Joe Prendki.
9. Band shows their Bear brass.



The victory dances were the place to let off any extra energy that may have been left after a big Bear game. It was the place to congratulate players on their fantastic performance, and to talk about the play that won or lost the game.

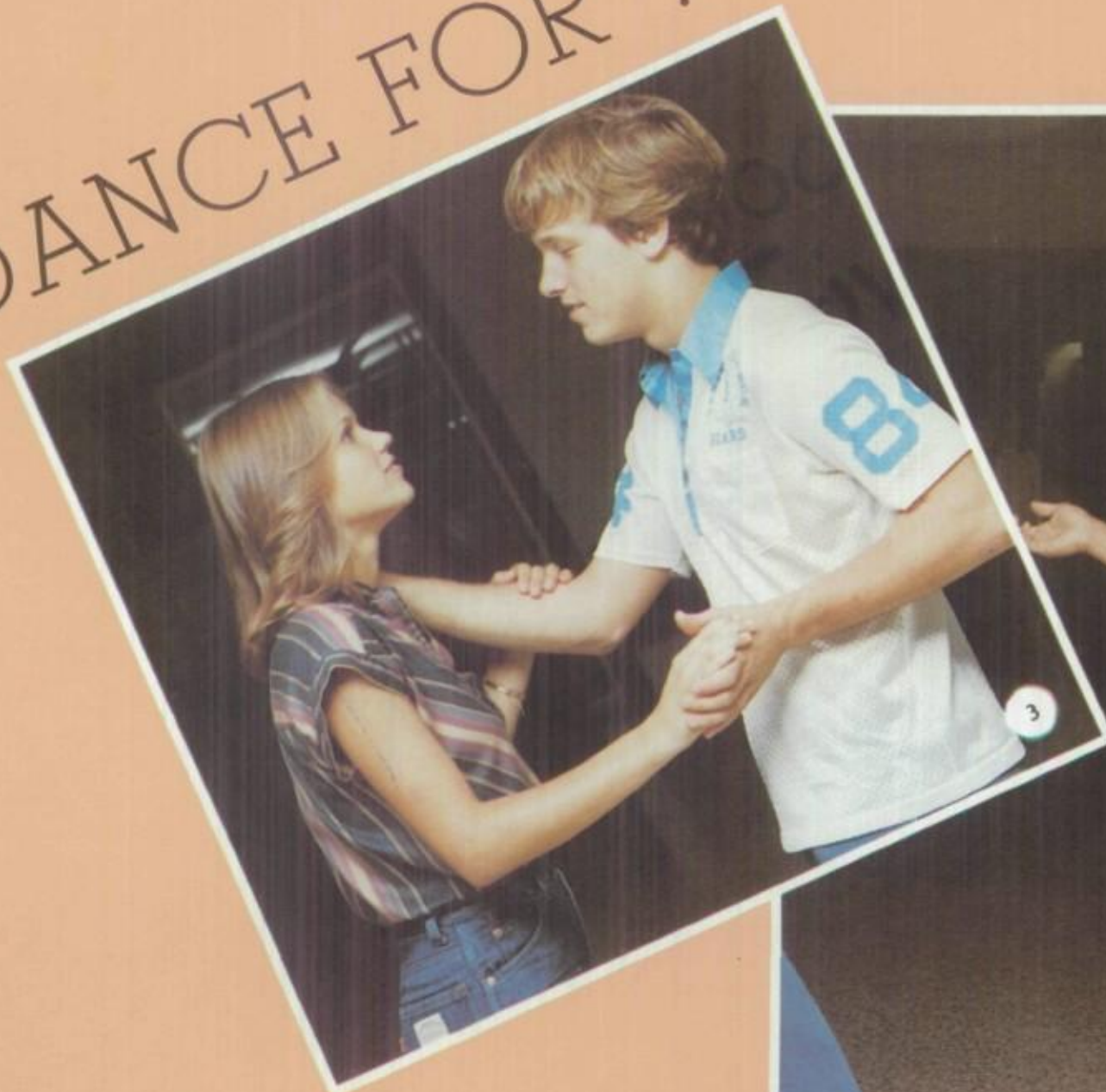
The dances were also a place to just gather with friends and get to know that special someone you've been watching in class.

All in all, the victory dances were just a place to spend some time talking about how great it is to be a part of Spring Branch High School.

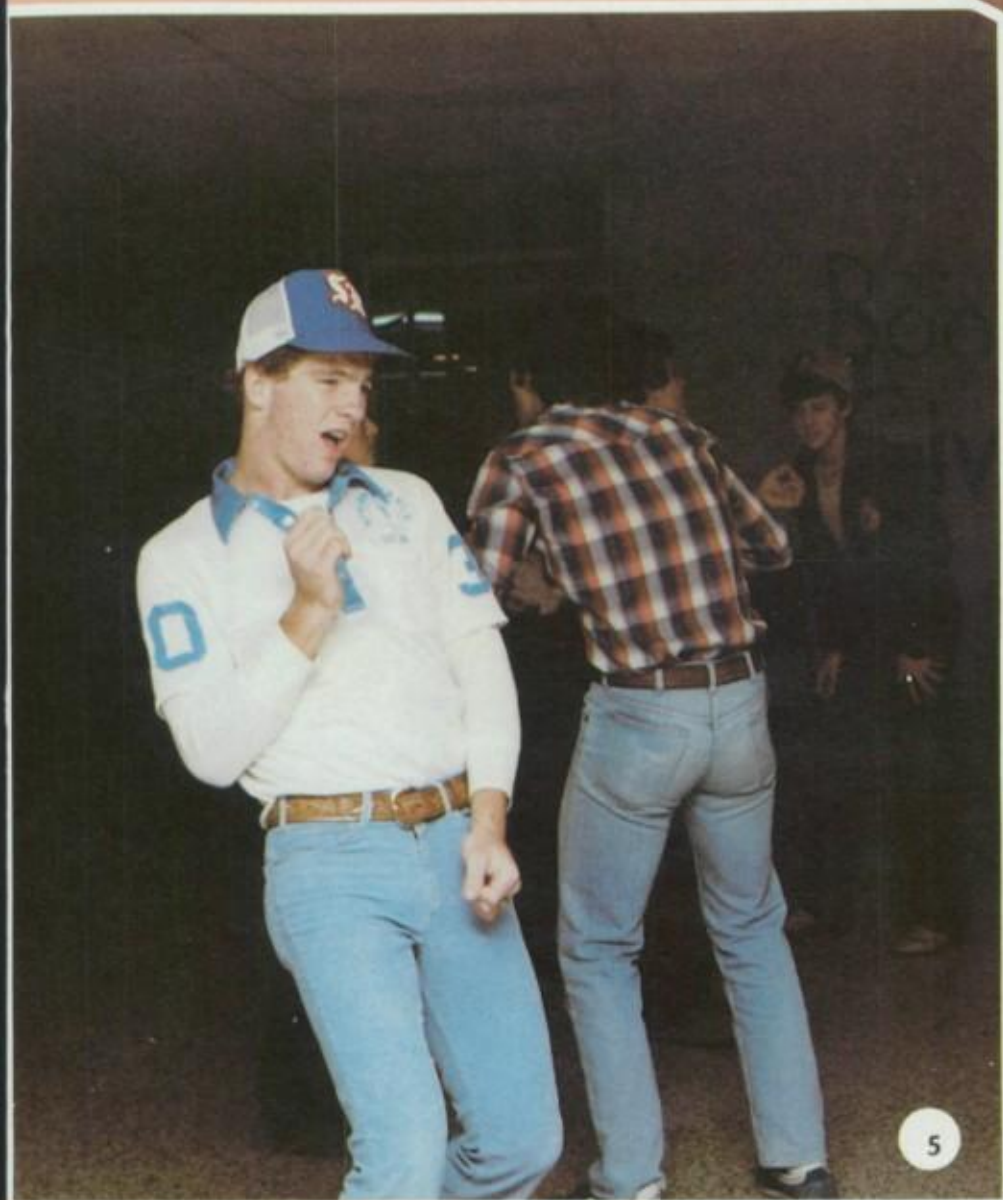
1. Bill Duckworth, one of the Mad dogs, lets loose.
2. "Nothing can come between us! Right, David?" asks Carol Herstein.
3. Love, look what you've done to them. Colleen Ellison and Craig Chappell share a special moment at a victory dance.
4. "Where did my partner go?" asks Roland Perez.
5. "Hey, man! Look at me!" says Lee Montz.
6. Slow dancin' at a victory dance is a favorite activity among Spring Branch students.



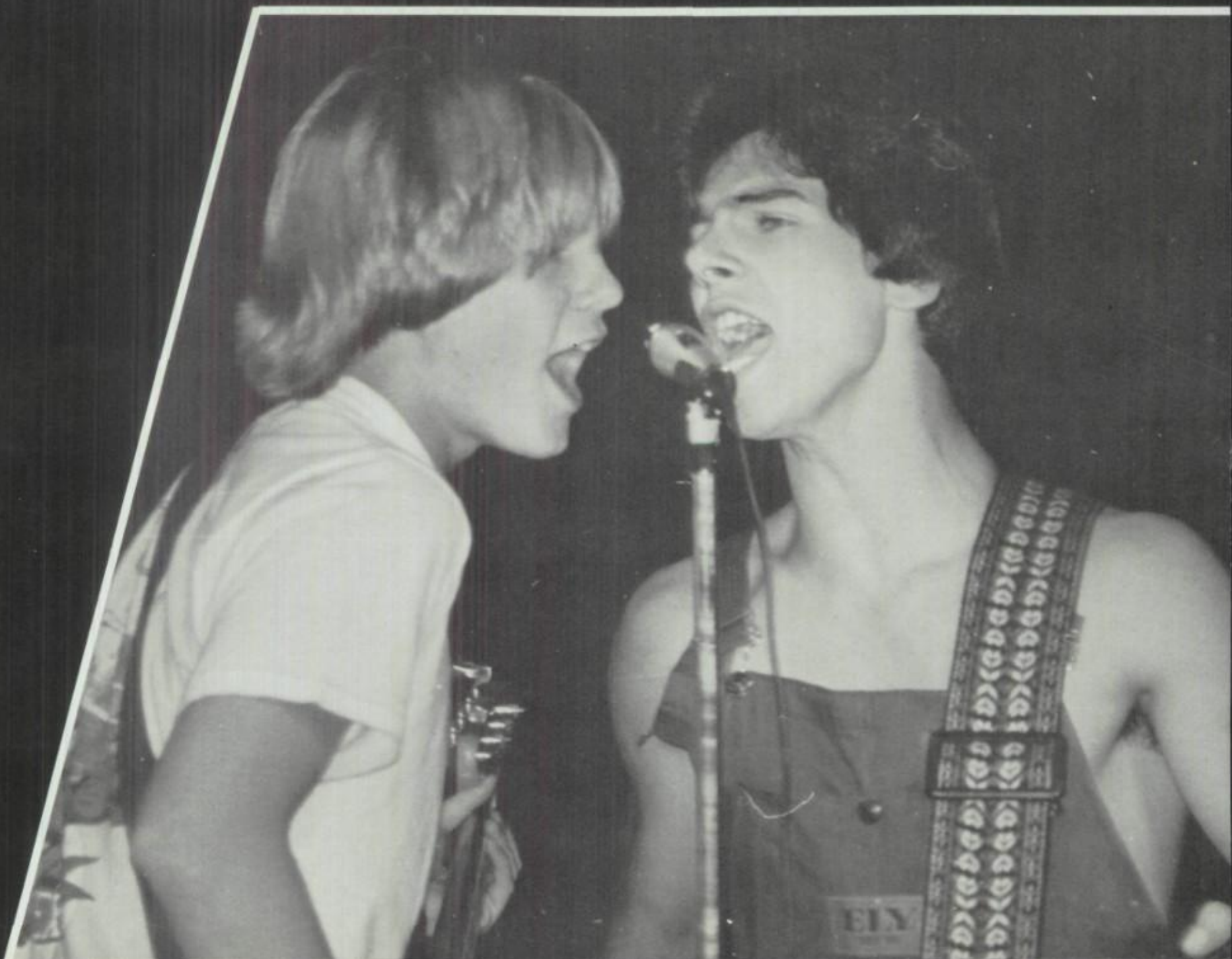
DANCE FOR . . .



VICTORY



TURN TO TALENT





American Field Service (A.F.S.) sponsored the annual talent show on Oct 3 in Spring Branch High's auditorium.

"It is amazing what the kids in Spring Branch can do," said Mrs. Betty Gregory, school nurse, who wrote announcements, screened talent, and basically put together the whole show.

A lot of time was put in by the students who spent many hours practicing for their performances.

This year's entertainment was basically made up of singers, musicians, and dancers, although some dramatic recitations were also given.

In the instrumental category, there was a tie between pianists Monica Hedding and Dewey Austin. The winners in the singing category were Tony Winfrey and Penny Jolivette, who sang a duet, and a group consisting of Paul and Cindy Garza and Tom Barron who played drums. In the dance category the winner was a group called the Fantastic Five. These winners all received a trophy for their first class performances.

Proceeds from the show went into the AFS fund to finance foreign exchange students staying with Spring Branch students.



1. Larry Morgan announced the performers for the '81 Talent Show.
2. Eric Oliver did a dramatic act based on Noah's Ark.
3. John Beeman's song was well-received by the audience.
4. Trust "jams out" at the Talent Show.
5. This dog had something to say about the show.
6. Cindy Garza performs a winner.

Homecoming



Homecoming was early this year-September 26. I had to start thinking about it earlier, and I thought about it differently. I started to think about it for what it really was, a football game and a dance. No, that's not it! It's more of a ceremony, a ritual. It's a time when ex-students come home to view their successors in action. Or do they come home to pick up old pieces of their lives and hang on to them just for a moment?

For the first time I saw the Homecoming celebration as a sad sort of event. All the alumni return expecting to see "the good old days" of their high school years preserved just as it is in their minds. Only it isn't. We've changed the school on them. It must bring tears to some eyes. It makes the way we celebrate the Homecoming seem remotely hypocritical. We get all dolled up and wear big corsages; then

we go to a football game and a dance, and we have a terrific time. But we never seem to acknowledge the alumni, and that the whole thing is for them; to welcome them back just for awhile. That is what *Homecoming* means.

For three years I've gone to the Homecoming because it was there. Now in my senior year, it's begun to take on a new meaning. Beginning next year, I'll be one of those visiting alumni trying to touch an old memory. From now on, it will be a symbol, a landmark.

Once a year I'll return to the place where I really grew up, the place that taught me about being a person. It's like the ancient Greeks paying homage to their gods: I'll be, in a sense, paying homage to Spring Branch High for all it did for me.

-Jane Quinn





1. Gibb Jernigan charges through the Northbrook defense.
2. Gibb Jernigan runs for the goal line.
3. When Gina Wagnon "whips it," people watch!
4. Leslie Holm says, "It's all in the wrists, Karen!"
5. Donna Evans: was elected the 1980-'81 Homecoming queen.
6. A Spring Branch Bear flies into action.
7. Donna Evans waits patiently to hear the name of the next Homecoming queen.
8. Judgie Schuble whispers sweet nothings in Lisa Phillip's ear.
9. Bear fans wait patiently for the Bears to come back onto the field after halftime.

Both the Art Department and Industrial Arts held their annual shows on May 18. Rombula, started by the art teachers eight years ago, gives students the opportunity to show the art projects they have worked on throughout the year.

"The Industrial Arts Show, held in the gym, gives students a chance to show their ability in the fields of metal, wood, and drafting," said Mr. Herb Lang, metal shop teacher.

Several hundred students place entries in the shows, and several of the entries are later placed in district and state competition.

In art both Rusty Shelton, senior, and Dawn Hurst, junior, had work that was selected for the Scholastic District Show.

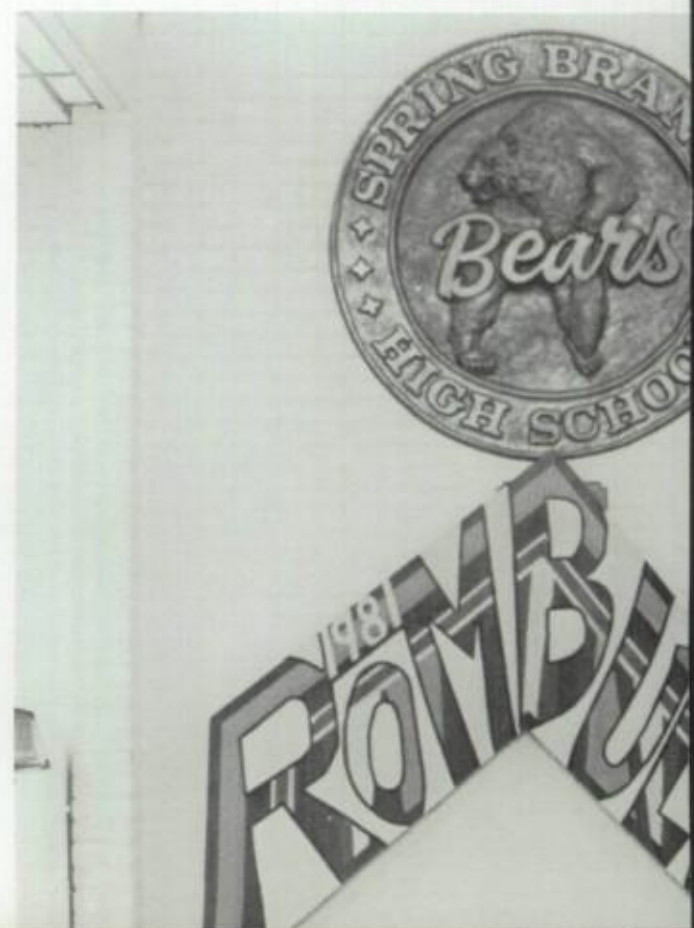
In wood entries Dwayne Grayson received second place in state competition for his entry of a muzzle loading rifle. He had two other entries which also placed. A cedar chest by Ruby Rojas placed first in division and received best of show at the Spring Branch Show.

In metal entries Kenny Faris won best at both school and district shows for his work bench.

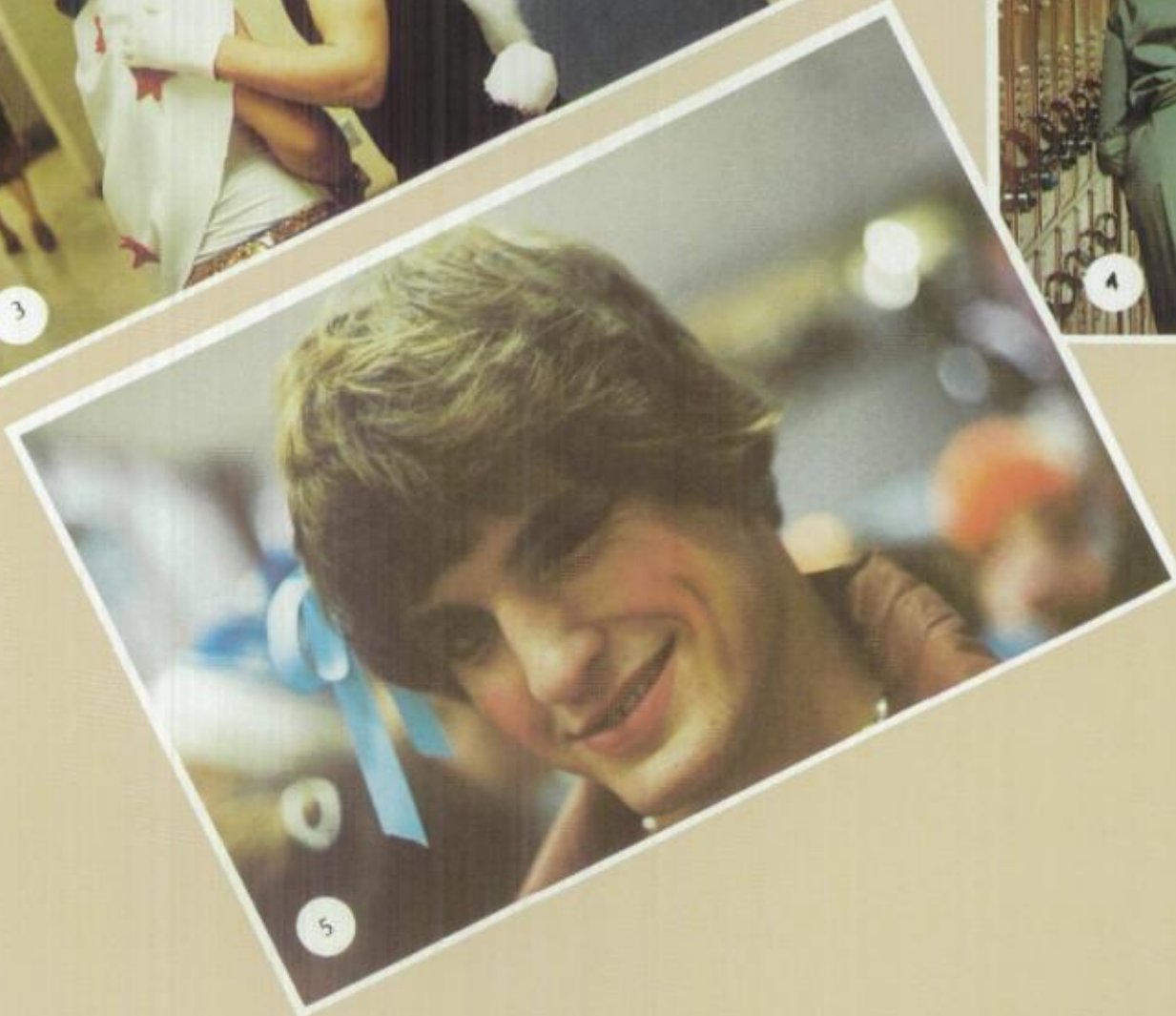
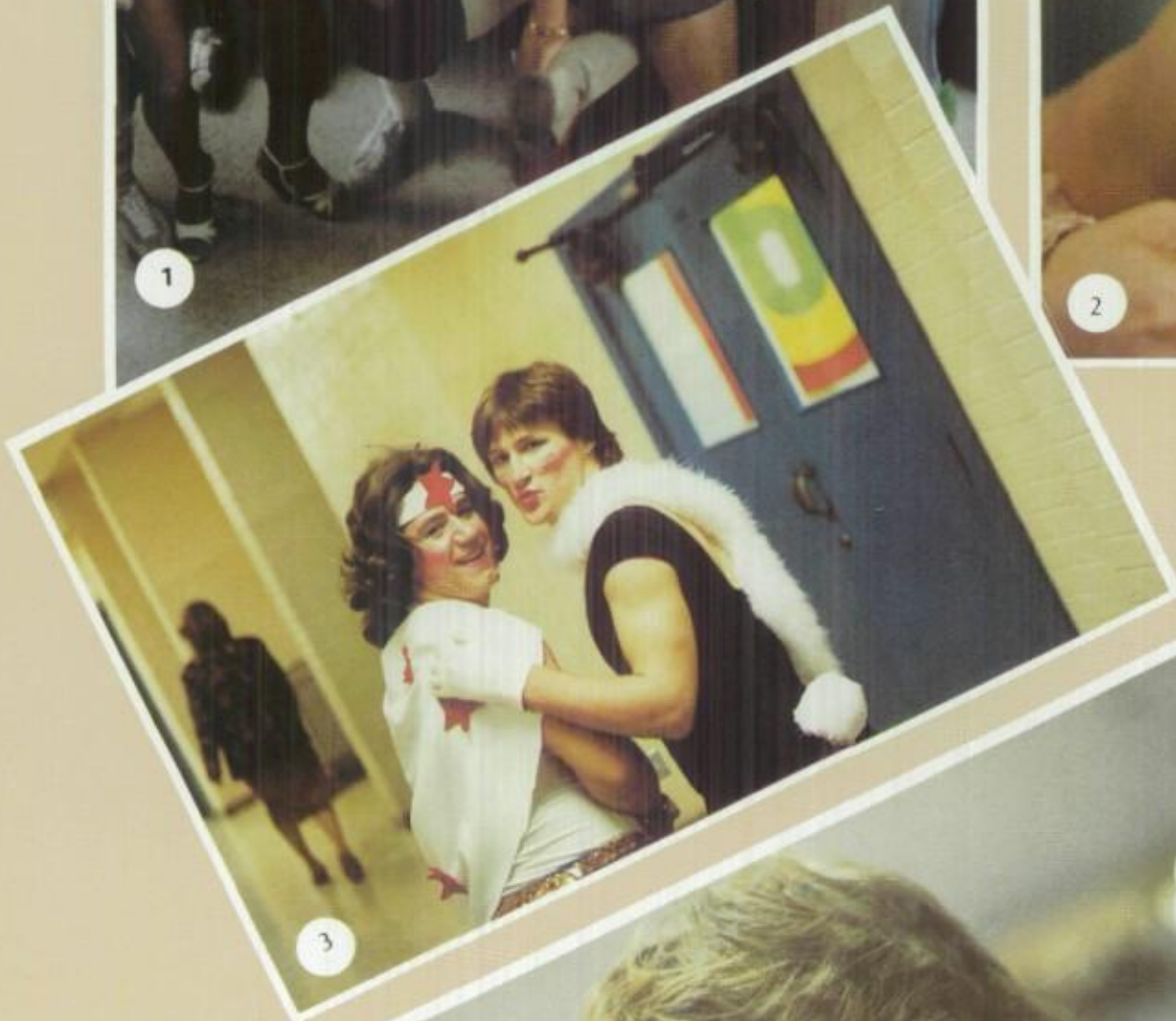
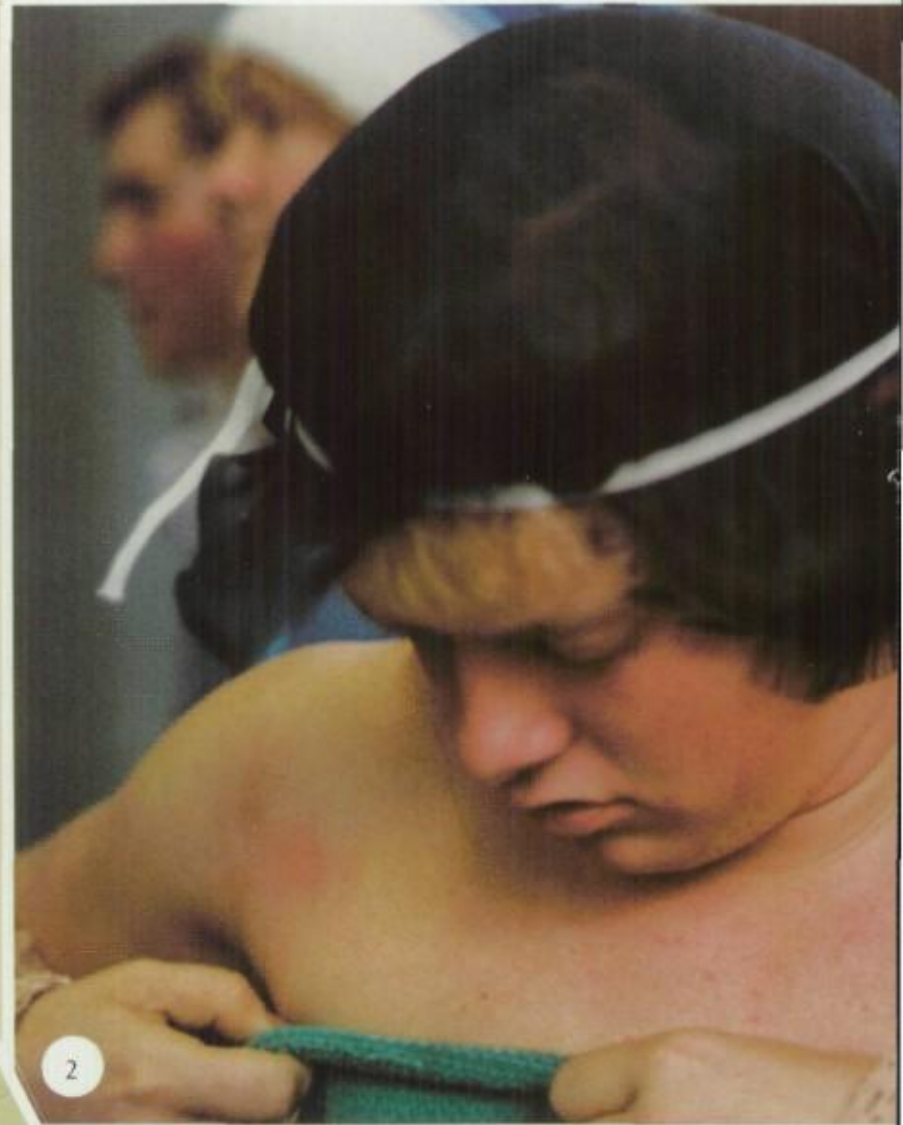
In the drafting departments, Andy Reed won best in show for general drafting. Kathy Garza received best in show for mechanical drafting, while Bob Thomas won best in show for Architectural Drafting.

1. Kevin Schwantz watches while A.L. May works on a battle cart.
2. Kevin Schild takes a break during Rombula talk to Jody Schild.
3. Mrs. Melton places awards on the winning of the show held in the 600 hall of the school.
4. John Kay, Rick Zopti, Jeff String and De Christian take a break for building a three wheeled go-cart.
5. Charles Saltzman watches as Mr. Lang shapes a piece of metal for one of the students.
6. Every year the art department creates a new sign to represent Rombula. This is the 1981 sign displayed in the main hall.
7. Rusty Shelton's ink drawing was accidentally sold twice.

Creating Art







It's not everyday that my father wakes up at 6:00 in the morning to find a six-foot rabbit standing in our living room! It was Tuesday, November 25, and as he stood there staring, the doorbell rang and in came my best friend — with an overgrown baby!

"What's going on here?" he demanded.

"It's Slave Day, Daddy!"

"Slave Day? I see . ." I don't think he understood.

Every year in the fall, the senior guys are auctioned off to the highest bidder. Every year I sit and watch as the guys are put on the platform, examined, and bought. This year I decided to buy a slave. After sitting among the audience and bidding \$38 for a guy I hardly knew, I began my search for a costume. That wasn't easy; costumes for six-foot jocks don't grow on trees. Finally, after days of brainstorming and hours at the sewing machine, I had a very large, pink and white bunny.

Had my father followed me and my "rabbit" around that day, he might have understood, and even been caught up in the lighter side of Spring Branch's personality.

The whole day, beginning with breakfast at Denny's, was totally off-beat! Everywhere, there were smiling girls, and following right behind them were

strangely-dressed senior guys catering to their every whim. I don't think I carried one book or walked up one flight of stairs by myself that day!

Slave Day is the one day of the year that everyone is relaxed and even the faculty is lenient. It seems that almost anything goes on this day! For one day of the year, the girls can have their wishes: a guy to carry out their every command.

-J.Q.

"It's Slave Day, Daddy!"

1. Who opened the door to this mad house?
2. "I know it's down there somewhere!" thinks Bill Morgan.
3. "Don't let our girlfriends see us, Kyle," says Charles Meyers.
4. "Come on, Todd, let them see your cute flowered shorts," says Kelly Vaught.
5. Dana Youngblood thinks, "I'm such a cute little devil!"
6. "Craig, you're not playin' right!" says Kurt Juergens. "Craig, why don't you leave poor Kurt alone?" asks Todd Stardiq.
7. "How about a kiss, baby?" asks Curtis Stockton.







Forty girls from the class of 1982 participated in the Powder Puff game in May. The game is held annually at Grobe Stadium, and it offers the girls a chance to strut their stuff on the football field after watching the guys during the fall season.

Although the girls did play only flag football, the rules and the positions were the same as the boys' football.

"It was a rough game, but it sure was a fun one," said Kim Thielmann, junior.

After the game, the girls who participated were asked to make a lunch which was sold to the guys. The money was then put in the senior treasury, and will be used to pay for the senior prom.

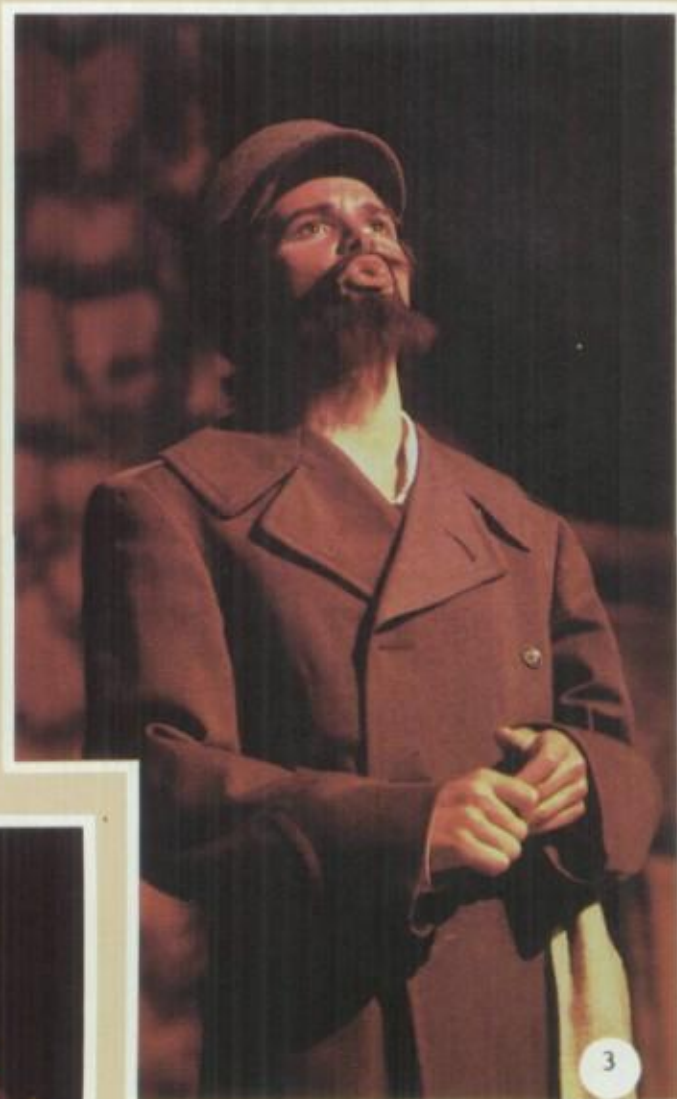
The blue team came through with a victory against the white team. The final score was 18-6, but no one seemed to be upset. All in all the girls had a great time. "The game was a really good way to get frustrations out," said Jamie Schultz, junior.

— John Stilwell

1. Kim Thielmann, 7, tries to avoid Kelly Hilterman who is about to take hold of the flag.
2. Kim Thielmann, 2, outruns the white defense for the touchdown.
3. Mindy Morris played quarterback for the white team.
4. Kim Thielmann blocks Shawn Hudgins while Cheryl Warmke runs for the touchdown.
5. Carlotta Knappo takes off to the left for another Blue touchdown.
6. Cheryl Warmke cheers for the big blue victory.
7. Shawn Hudgins had many problems fitting into the guys' jerseys.



Fiddler



1. Monica Hedding and Steve Bullitt perform the Wedding Dance in FIDDLER ON THE ROOF. 2. At Motel and Tzeitel's wedding, the villagers perform the famed Bottle Dance. 3. Perchik (Larry Morgan) tells Hodel (Karen Case) that "Now I Have Everything" after their engagement. 4. Patricia Brown, Cynthia Schneider, Colleen Mehafeey and Kelly Vaught discuss the latest gossip. 5.

Russians versus the villagers in the dance, "To Life!" 6. The Rabbi (Mike Plummer) dances with a girl. 7. Ralph Katz (Tevye) sings "If I were a Rich Man." 8. The constable (Bruce Pfaff) warns Tevye (Ralph Katz) and Golde (Pam Barker) that they must leave Anatevka in three days. 9. "You won't be sorry," Motel (Steven Bullitt) tells Tevye (Ralph Katz) when he agrees to Motel and Tzeitel's wed-

ding. 10. As the villagers prepare to leave Anatevka, Chava (Wendy Teas) and Fyedka (Casto Lopez) says a final goodbye to Golde (Pam Barker) as Tevye (Ralph Katz) and Tzeitel (Monica Hedding) watch sadly. (photos by Bob Bruce).

Approximately 300 hours were spent by a number of Spring Branch students building, rehearsing and producing the drama department's most recent production, FIDDLER ON THE ROOF.

CVAE and woodshop students used their varied skills to assemble some of the sets.

Other students spent several days arranging the sets to fit the Spring Branch stage.

While building was beginning to move into full swing, the rehearsing began. Performers practiced diligently to learn their parts. The orchestra and honorary

members of the band held rehearsals, and the members of the choir practiced until everything sounded acceptable. Practice didn't end there, however. The time had come to bring song, drama and music together.

"This was the hardest part of the performance. Finding your key with the orchestra after practicing with only the piano is really difficult," Connie Gore, sophomore, remarked.

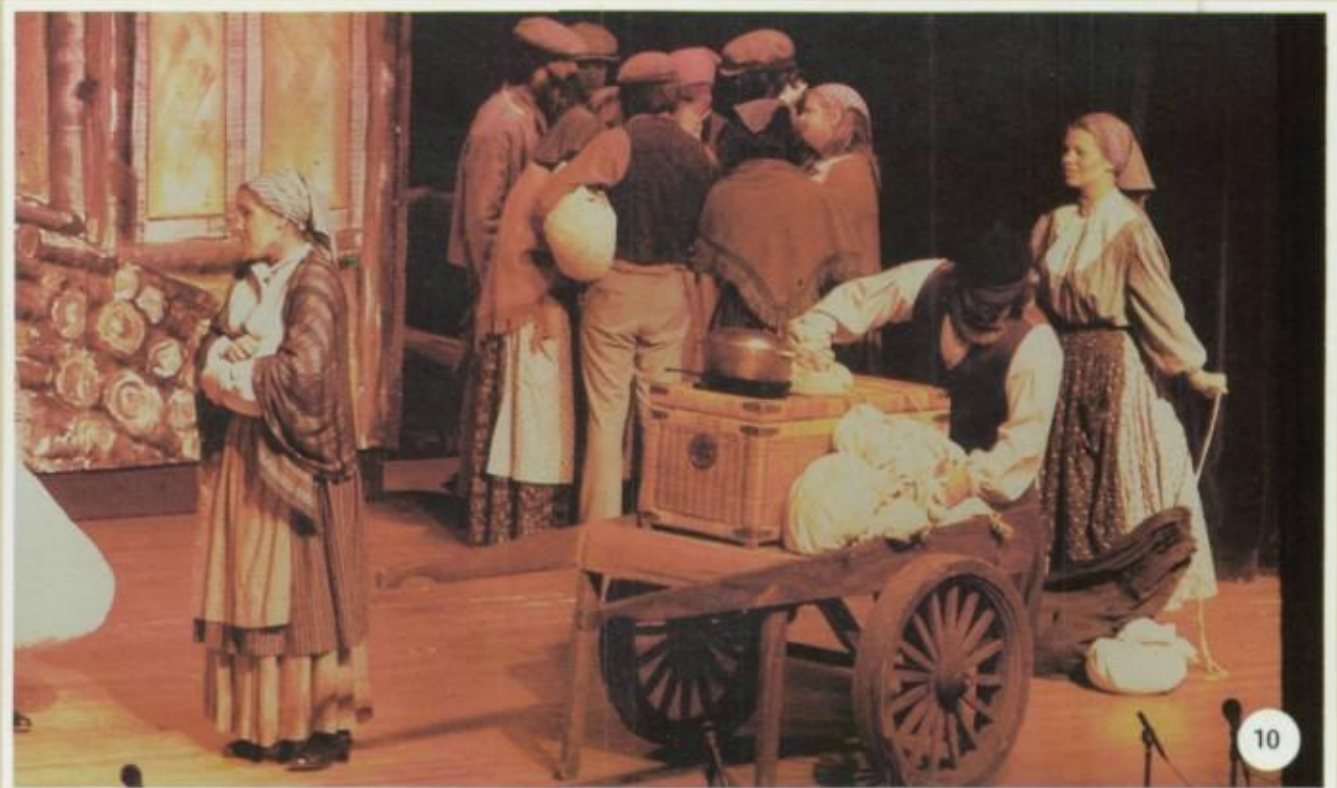
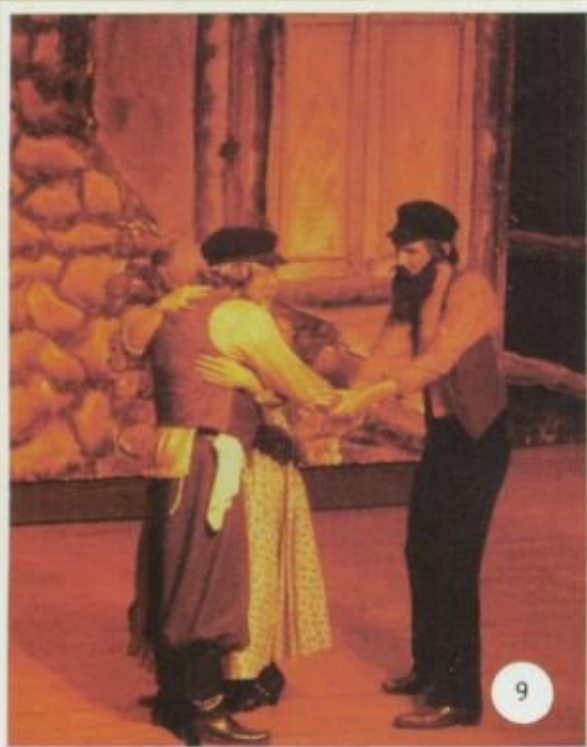
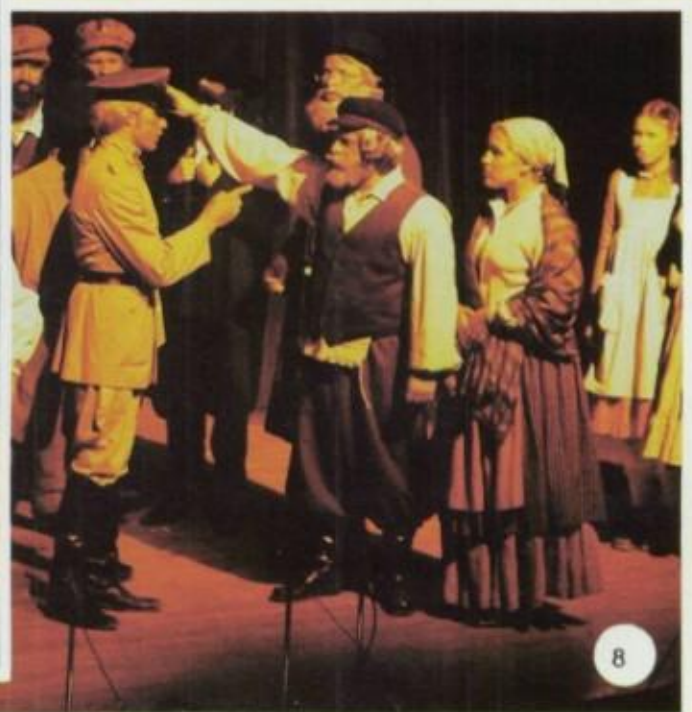
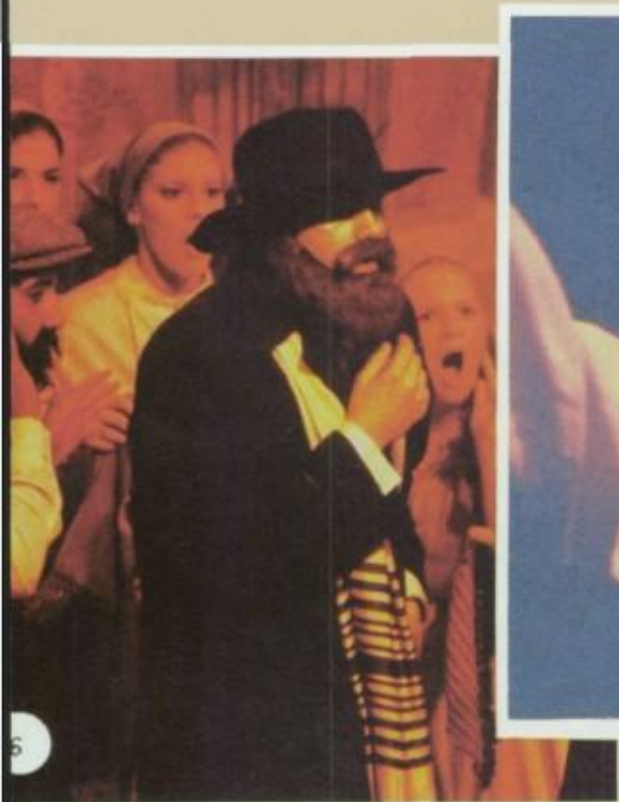
Rehearsing sessions became longer. Three or four hour rehearsals took the form of actual performances before the congregation of the Central Presbyterian Church and the eighth grader of the

Spring Branch School District.

January 5, the big day, arrived. Opening night did not find a full house assembled to see FIDDLER. But on Friday, it was standing room only.

"A total of 3000 students and adults actually made it to the performances," Mr. Frank Rice, drama instructor, reported.

"I don't think people realize how professional high school plays really are," remarked one spectator. "For those who missed seeing this one, they really missed quite a performance."





Are Spring Branch High students tired of dances? This question was discussed among students after the low turn out at the 1981 Snow Dance.

The Snow Dance, one of Spring Branch's oldest traditions, may seem to be a dying tradition. On the other hand, it may not have been a popular function this year because money doesn't go as far as it used to. The cost of flowers, dresses, dinner and entrance fees to dances has, in many cases, tripled.

Another reason for the low turn out could have been Houston's weather. On December 19, Houston had one of the coldest days of the year, not to mention a sudden rain storm which gradually turned into a gentle mist.

The Snow Dance also fell victim to a sudden outbreak of flu that forced many students to stay home with their aspirin and Sucrets, rather than dance the night away with their sweethearts.

1. Lee Bentley and Nancy Andrews take a break from the Snow Dance activity.
2. "Look at those 'Sexy Eyes'" thinks Ray Priestley.
3. "Well I guess he won't mind if I dance with you once."
4. It takes a little practice to "Cotton Eye Joe" in a long dress.
5. Leigh Robertson and Lisa Phillips decide to create their own entertainment.
6. Tables were set up along the hall for those who wanted to take a break from the dance floor.



To Dance Or Not To Dance





Valentine's Day came early this year for Spring Branch High. Because February 14 showed its face on a Saturday, Spring Branch chose to blossom in all its red glory on Friday the 13th.

Although to some Friday the 13th may mean bad luck, the 13th brought a taste of happiness, friendship, and love.

With the help of Eastern Onion and the many flower shops in the area, Spring Branch put a feeling in most hearts that lasted the entire weekend.

With the passing out of valentine "cards" by the Sophomore Student Council and the passing out of both written and singing telegrams by OEA (Office Education Association), most everyone got the word across to friends, sweethearts, and those secretly admired that someone was thinking of them.

Several rooms, including the junior of-

fice, glowed with the R-E-D that has become the symbolic color for Valentine's Day. Many students and faculty members showed their feelings and spirit through the eye-catching colors of their clothes.

The colors red and white streamed through the halls in the precious seven minutes between each class. It was as if a competition was on to see who could wear the most red.

The fun didn't stop with the 3:15 bell that said it was time to go home. Many friends and sweethearts returned that night to take part in the Sweetheart Dance held in the cafeteria.

As the old friends continued to dance, the new friends spent time getting to know each other. At 11:45 the fun broke up. It was time to go home and get ready for Saturday, February 14th — Valentine's Day!

1. These are examples of the creative decorating done by the students on Valentine's Day.
2. Miss Lee Anne White is embarrassed by the visit from the big pink Eastern Onion chicken.
3. Gigi Saltzman, OEA member, sings "You've Got the Cutest Little Baby Face" to Robert Thompson.
4. There's nothing like a slow dance to celebrate Valentine's Day with your sweetheart.
5. Many students chose to stand around and visit with friends at the Sweetheart Dance.
6. The junior office shows its spirit through colorful decorations put up by some of the junior girls.



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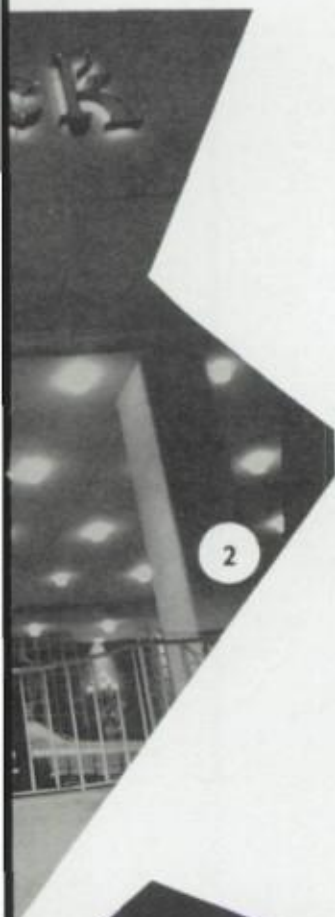


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1. The Collage provided the music for the prom. 2. The stately Warwick Hotel provided the atmosphere for the prom. 3. Kurt Juergens and his date, Gretchen Wickmore, from Stratford, were some of the early arrivals to the prom. 4. Dancers crowded the dance floor all evening. 5. A variety of dresses were worn by the girls. Styles included southern Belle gowns and sophisticated evening dresses. 6. Kurt Juergens assists his date, Gretchen Wickmore, from the car. 7. Kelly Vought and her date exchange conversation in the lobby of the Warwick. 8. One of Mrs. Martha Latham's students introduces her to his date. 9. Mark Johnson and Elaine Kappus spent the evening on the dance floor.

Prom



The Senior Prom, held Friday, May 22 at the Warwick Hotel, gave seniors a chance to be together and reflect on all the good times they have had through high school.

Approximately 500 people attended the prom, and each senior received his own invitation with no charge to the student.

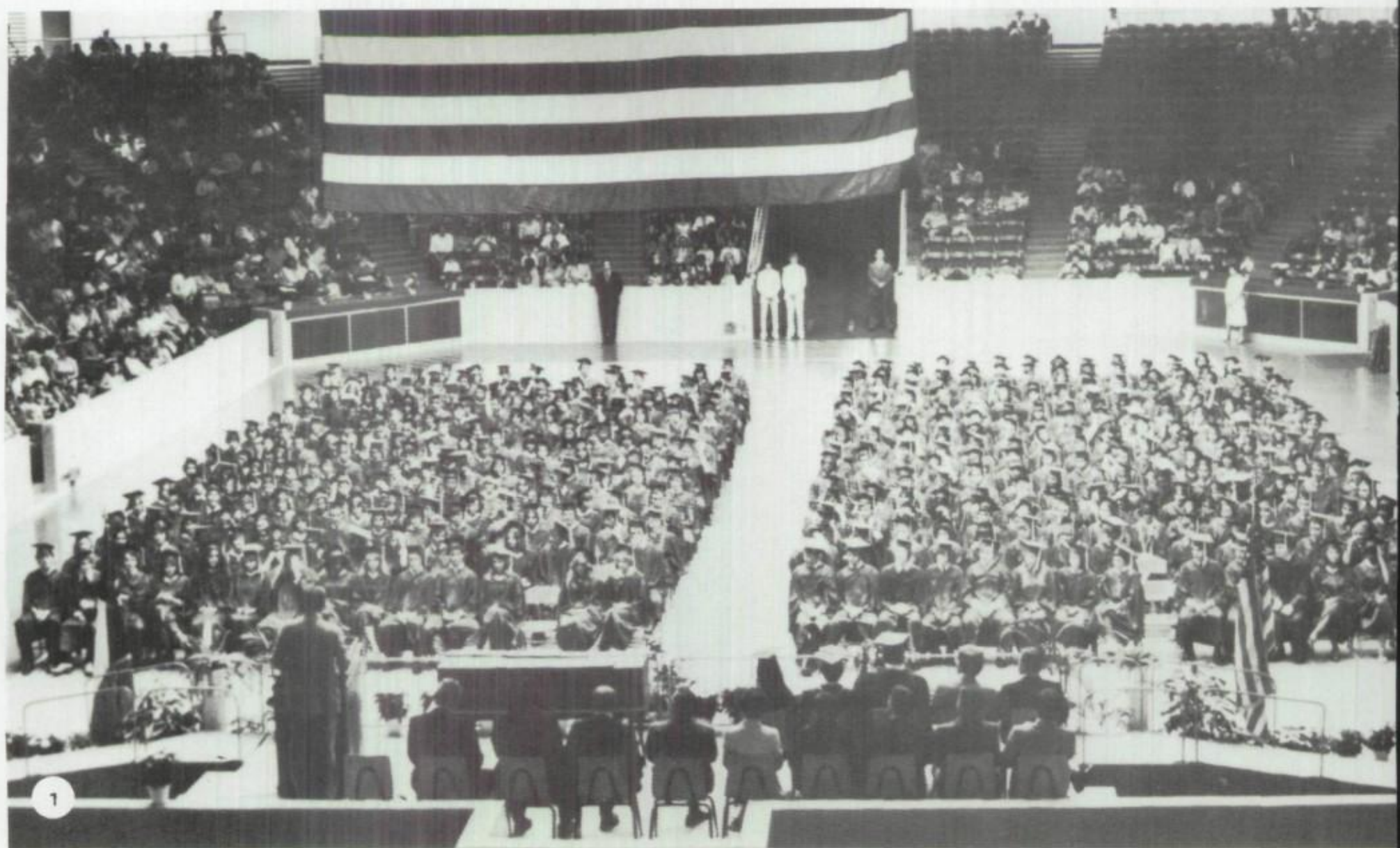
\$8,000 of the \$10,000 earned by the senior class was spent on the prom. The band, the Collage, played a variety of music which kept the dance floor crowded.

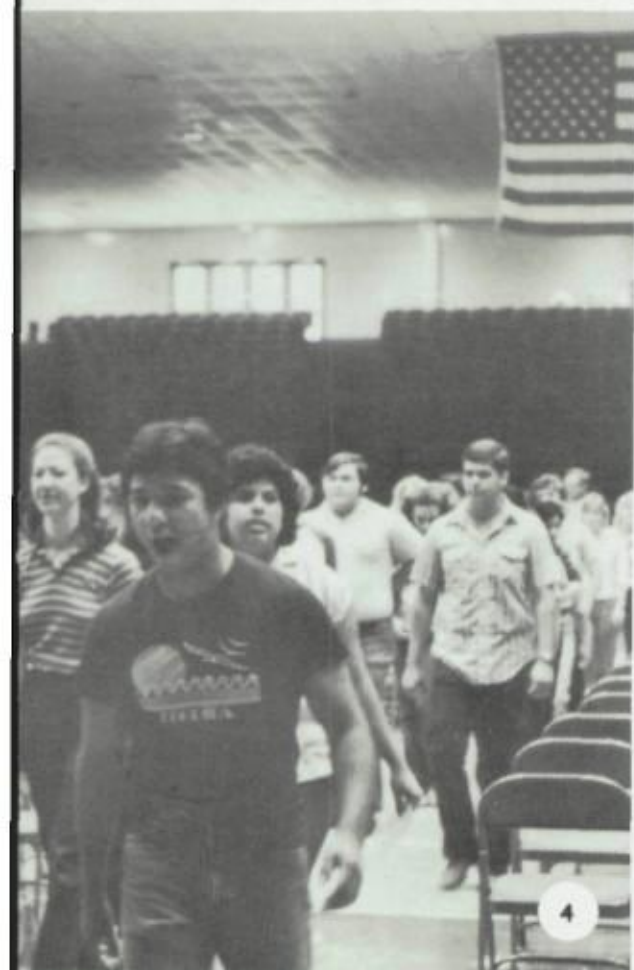
From 8:00 to 12:00 couples enjoyed a

quiet evening together, milling around talking to friends and admiring tuxes and dresses.

"The Warwick was beautiful. It was all trimmed in gold, and it was the perfect setting for the dance," said Becky O'Reilly, junior.

One thing about the dance that was slightly different from last year was breakfast was not served. After the dance many seniors decided to continue the evening by driving to the beach and spending the night with friends they had been close to throughout their high school years.





On May 24 approximately 427 seniors walked across the stage of the Spring Branch Coliseum in recognition of their completing all graduation requirements. Christine Wilford gave the welcoming address followed by the commencement speaker, Charles Ripley.

The feeling about graduation were mixed. Many were happy to finish high school, while others were upset when they finally realized they would never see some of their best friends again.

Mr. Nathan Zibilski, a friend to every graduating senior, said "In my four years here, this is the best behaved and most cooperative group of students to graduate from this high school. It will be very difficult to ever get a class like this again."

Just about everyone's feelings about graduation can be summed up by a small poem whose author remains anonymous:

Today we'll start a new life and we'll say our last goodbyes to all the friends we've grown to love with whom we've laughed and cried.

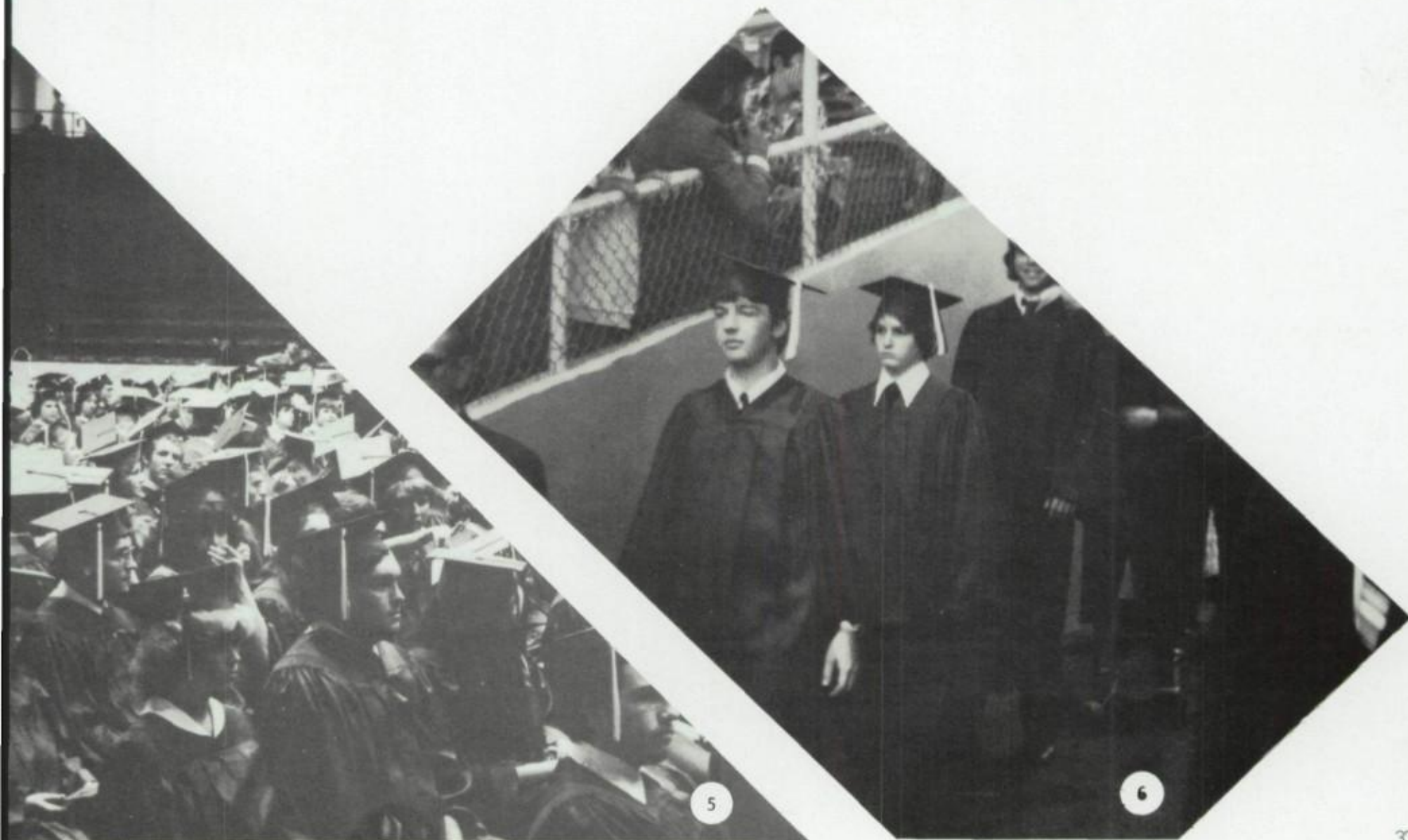
Remembering the fun and laughter, the problems and the fears, and watching all our memories grow throughout our highschool years.

The memories of the dances and the new friends that we've made, vacations, teachers, talking, and exams we'd rather forget.

Yes, high school days are precious but brief, where all your dreams come true; it is not the end but the beginning of a life we'll start anew.

1. 427 Spring Branch seniors graduated on May 24. 2. Four seniors try out their graduation gear on Cap and Gown Day. 3. This student prepares to receive his diploma. 4. Students rehearse for commencement. 5. Seniors listened to the commencement speaker. 6. Students march into the coliseum, ready for graduation exercises.

The New Beginning



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Historical events occurring in the United States during 1980-81 had impact on the lifestyle of each American. OPEC's increase in gasoline prices sent teenagers looking for jobs in order to keep their automobiles in operation. Victories by major sports teams in the country influenced decoration and design of T-shirts, jeans, stuffed toys, posters. Various items flooded the American market screaming "We're Number 1" or "We Luv Ya."

A troublesome world encouraged many teens to scrutinize their lives and to look for a deeper meaning for their existence. Many teenagers incorporated religion into their lifestyles.

The 1981 election of Ronald Reagan to the Presidency set the stage for a new trend in dressing and lifestyle. Conservative became more accepted among teenagers, and polo shirts, short hair, and "being something" took on new significance.

Many things happened this year that will have a definite effect on the history of the United States.

With the Russian invasion of Afghanistan, President Carter took a controversial stand by deciding to boycott American participation in the 1980 Olympic Games to be held in Moscow. Many Americans displayed great sorrow for the young men and woman who would be denied the chance to compete in an event to which they had devoted years of strenuous training. Others supported Carter by saying that the Russians needed to be reprimanded.

The 1980 Presidential election was considered one of the most exciting this country had ever had. The Republicans won an unprecedented number of seats in Congress, and Ronald Reagan was declared President before polls in California had been closed. Throughout most of the campaigning, President Carter was the favored candidate, but after the attempted rescue of the American hostages in Iran, the nation's trust in him began to diminish.

Pope John Paul II did his part in setting new records this year.



1 Affect Teens' Lifestyles

The Pope became the first Pope to enter a communist country to hold religious services for the many Poles who still practice the Catholic faith. He was also the only Pope to have "a hit single." A recording made at one of his Masses soon became a million copy seller all around Europe, but the record was not made available to the American people.

1981 was a controversial year in sports. The Oakland Raiders went ahead of the Philadelphia Eagles in the NFL Super Bowl. The Houston Rockets won the Western Division Championship but lost to the Boston Celtics in the NBA World Championship series.

Two historically outstanding events occurred this year.

NASA'S (National Aeronautics Space Administration) launch of the space shuttle Columbia placed America ten years ahead of Russia technologically. The shuttle enabled man to pilot a space vehicle outside the earth's atmosphere, orbit around the earth and return the vehicle safely to a precise dry land location. Although the launch was delayed approximately 72 hours, it finally proceeded in full swing.

John W. Young and Robert L. Crippen, the first shuttle team, reported some loose insulative tiles, but Houston assured the nation that there was nothing to worry about. On Wednesday, April 15, the Columbia landed like a symbolic eagle, and the nation cheered. Another event of a somber nature involved the kidnapping of Americans at the Iranian embassy in Tehran.

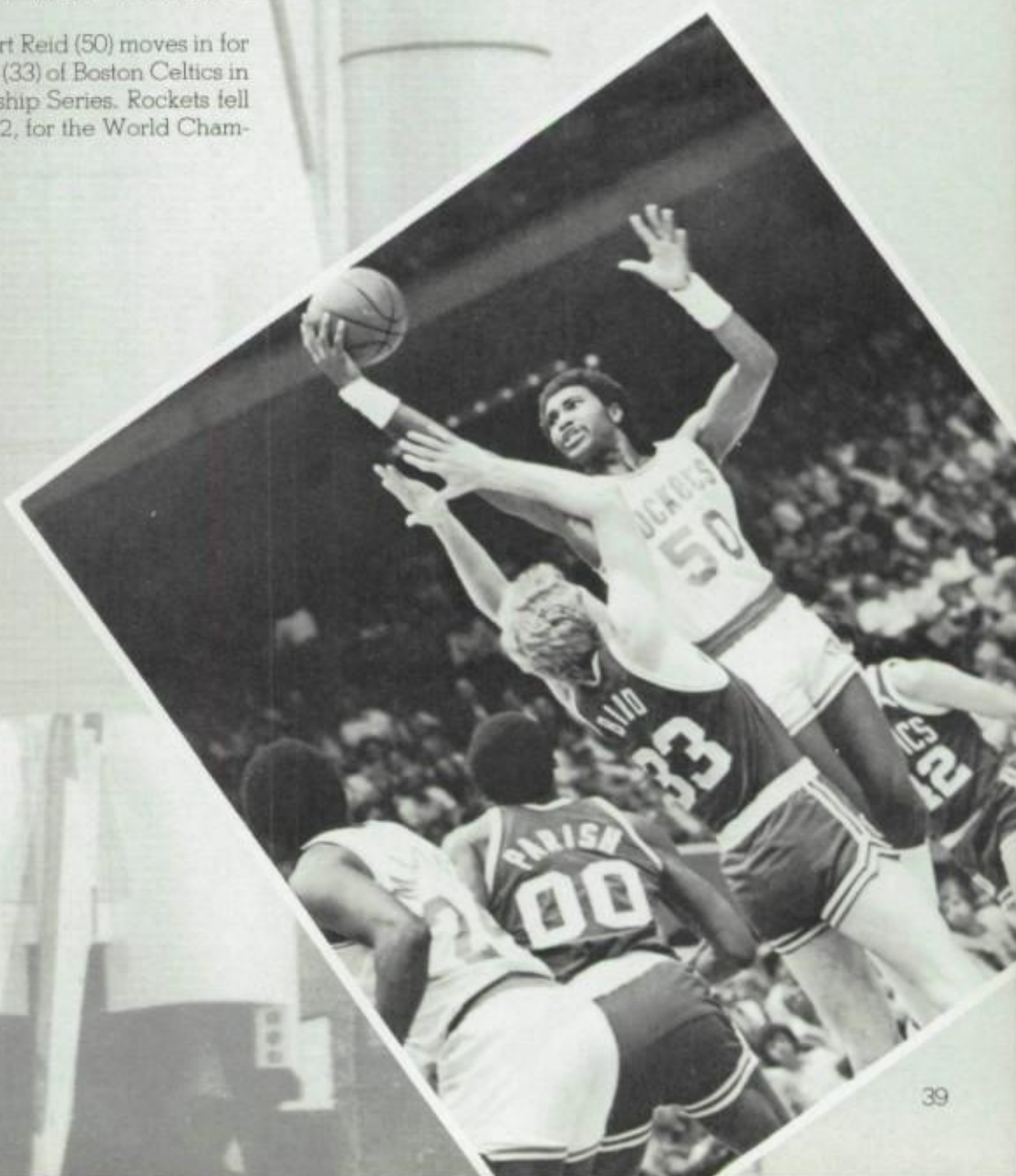
Another event of a somber nature involved the kidnapping of Americans at the Iranian embassy in Tehran.

For 444 days, 52 American men were held hostage by a group of Iranian students. While the Shah of Iran was still alive, the students would not release the hostages until he and the money he had "taken" from the country were returned. America refused to condemn the Shah to the death he would face if he returned to Iran.

After several months, the President

decided to attempt to rescue the Americans. This attempt failed, and many people believed that this is what caused the president to lose the election. The hostages were then moved to several places around the country making a rescue attempt impossible. All America could do was wait and pray that the students would come to their senses. After 444 long and grueling days, the Americans were released and then flown out of the Middle East to Europe where they remained for several weeks before making the final journey home. This event united the American people in a common cause, and a singleness of mind which had not been experienced since the Vietnam War.

1. The Space Shuttle Orbiter Enterprise was rolled out the Vehicle Assembly Building at 8:24 on May 1, 1979. This marks the first time that the complete Space Shuttle configuration has been assembled. The Enterprise will remain for fit and function checks which will clear the way for its sister ship, Columbia, on its first mission in space.
2. Spring Branch showed its feelings for the 52 American hostages by wearing yellow ribbons, shirts, and just about anything yellow they could find. Susan Donaldson, senior, decided to put her crutches to good use by decorating them with yellow ribbons to show her admiration for the American hostages.
3. Two members of the first crew for the Space Shuttle Orbital Flight Tests were Astronaut John W. Young, Shuttle commander; and Robert L. Crippen, Shuttle pilot.
4. Houston Rockets' Robert Reid (50) moves in for a score against Larry Bird (33) of Boston Celtics in N.B.A. World Championship Series. Rockets fell to Celtics in six games, 4-2, for the World Championship.





1. Dawn Hurst displays her lamb at the 1981 agriculture show.
2. The Spring Day carnations came in a large variety of colors ranging from white to purple.
3. For those who didn't feel like carrying their carnations, most of them found some place to put them.
4. "I really wish I knew who sent me this secret admirer carnation," says Karen Jefferson.
5. "I'll trade you the green one for the blue one," says Pearl Padilla.
6. Not only the students received carnations. The counselors' office also received carnations from co-workers and students.

Although Houston had a mild winter this year, Spring Day was a welcome sight for many Spring Branch students.

Spring Day meant the beginning of spring break, and the weather was perfect. Students spent the day planning their week with friends, and trying to decide just when to go to the beach or go shopping for that new outfit they had been looking at for so long.

Friday, March 20 turned out to be quite a busy day all in all. Not only did it mean spring was here, it also meant the Ag Show was making its annual appearance in the back parking lot.

The show gave students the opportunity to miss a few classes, and to eat a few things that aren't available on a "regular" school day.

Spring Day to many students, though, just meant a chance to thank friends and teachers for their help and support through the year, and simply to say . . . "Happy Spring"!



Step Into SPRING

Teenagers And God . . .

What's The Connection?

In the last decade, and certainly into this new decade, there has been a growing uneasiness among the teenagers in this country. They have turned against some of the values of their parents, such as material wealth and prestige, and are searching to find their own identities, their own values, and the purpose for their own lives. Seeing wars, scandals, and economic chaos, many are faced with a fear of what the future holds for them.

In their efforts to cope with life and the problems it brings, teenagers have turned to their own circle of friends, drugs, alcohol, or even cults. Still others have turned to churches. Some teenagers have found comfort in spiritual enrichment, and therefore, religion plays a major role in their lives.

Of this growing group of teens who have found importance in religion, there are a large number who call themselves Born-Again Christians. Born-Again Christianity (BAC) is not a cult, nor is it a new denomination. According to Lonnie Hayter, Associate Pastor at West Memorial Baptist Church, a BAC is a person who has recovered a personal, intimate, and real relationship with God through faith in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Mr. Hayter went on to say, "BAC transcends all denominational labels, and is basically a belief in *how* one can have a personal relationship with God."

This belief in how one can have a personal relationship with God is taken from the Bible, which BAC's interpret



1. Lorraine Bentley, junior, laughs in amusement as Jimmy Dorrell, Youth Pastor at West Memorial Baptist Church, explains to his group of teenagers why he would like to be a florescent light bulb. The youth at WMBC open their weekly meetings on Sunday nights with a humorous "question of the week."

literally and apply to their lives. In a nutshell, this belief includes three facts. First, all men choose to be sinners and the penalty for their sin is eternal separation from God. Secondly, God, who is a personal and loving god, loved his creation enough to send his son, Jesus Christ, to pay the penalty for man's sin. Thirdly, anyone who confesses his sin and invites Jesus to become his own personal Savior and Lord, will receive a new and eternal relationship with their creator.

BACs have, by some, been dubbed "holy rollers," or "Jesus freaks" because of their deep commitment to their faith. Some hold the opinion that BACs carry their commitment too far. Teenagers, especially those who are not so deeply committed to religion, tend to think that their peers who have become BACs are "goody-goodies" who all have the holier-than-thou attitude.

Said Mrs. Pat Maulden, Bible class teacher at Stratford High School, "I think they (BACs) have gotten that reputation because of a few things that most Christians choose not to do. But people make that accusation because of a lack of understanding of Christianity."

Mrs. Maulden added, as an explanation of why many BACs appear to be striving to live perfect lives, that the ultimate goal of a Christian is "to seek

to become as Christ is." According to the Bible, Christ lived a sin-free life and remains that way even in his resurrection.

Mr. Jimmy Dorrell, Associate Pastor to Youth at West Memorial Baptist Church, offers another explanation for the deep commitment of BACs.

"The Christian's responsibility is simple obedience to God's love. Some teenagers think that to become a Christian, you need to quit cussing, smoking and drinking, but when a person falls in love with God, they voluntarily desire to give up their old ways!"

Dow Ernst, Spring Branch senior who has been a BAC for about a year, said, "The Christian life is not an easy one. It *does* take a lot of discipline. But the "do's" overshadow the "don'ts" and once you've realized the power of Christ, do's become automatic. They're something you want to strive for."

Dow added, "Being a Christian doesn't mean always being delirious. Sometimes, it's the extreme opposite! But when you have the Lord to help you face sadness and bad times, it all works out!"

2. Michelle Winters, sophomore, helps herself to some of the refreshments at a youth meeting.



In talking with teenagers who are BACs, it can be found that, in general, they feel that the benefits of being a Christian are much worth the deep commitment and devotion.

"First of all, it (being a BAC) has allowed me to enter into Heaven!" said Bill Ivins, junior at Stratford. "Also, I'm living with the constant comfort of knowing that I'm forgiven for the things I do that aren't right."

Craig Chappell, senior at Spring Branch, stated that receiving patience and love from God are the two biggest gains he's experienced in becoming a BAC. "I think that with God, all my troubles seem to melt away. It's not that everything that goes wrong ends up perfect, but in the end, when you see what God had in mind, it all comes out for the better!"

Bill Ivins added that becoming a BAC had also helped him socially. "It's changed my shyness. I'm able to be more friendly with people, and I'm able to accept them and relate to them where they're at. And I've gained a new group of friends who are *always* there!"

According to Dr. Jack Lancaster, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Houston, most teenagers, in initially turning towards God, are seeking a personal relationship because they live in such an impersonal world. He added that, generally, they are also seeking comfort from the horrible world conditions that they see.

Explained Jimmy Dorrell, "Happi-

ness now is a recurrent theme for most teenagers. Most have sought happiness in alcohol, drugs, popularity, and other peer group emphases. However, inevitably these fall short of the goal to provide happiness. Christianity asserts that happiness is discovered by denying the world's philosophies, and seeking God."

Along with the large group of teenagers who are BACs, there are many teenagers who feel there is comfort and purpose in religion without being Born-Again.

Steve Payne, a junior at Stratford, is a Catholic. He said that, without being Born-Again, he shares many of the same beliefs and convictions that BACs hold.

"I try to act like a good Christian would. And, all too often, I end up going to Jesus with my problems. He's a source of relief, and is someone I can depend on and look to for answers. I get my answers out of thinking about what Jesus would do, and would want me to do."

Patti Flint, a senior at Spring Branch and also a Catholic, said that although religion plays an important role in her life, she doesn't judge everything she does, thinks, and feels by religious standards. "But, there's an undertone of God in everything about me!" she said.

Though most teenagers will say that religion does play a major role in their lives, in one way or another, this is not so for other teenagers. Some feel that religion is a minor aspect of their lives.

Gary Mitchell, junior at Spring Branch, stated, "Religion for me has, unfortunately, turned into only a weekly thing on Sundays. It's not as important to me as it is to some people, because I have so many things going on



3. Julie Talley, freshman, sings during a youth group meeting.

in my life. Some people have religion as their only source of motivation!"

Though there are many teenagers, like Gary, who leave religion as a secondary concern in their lives, Dr. Lancaster says he feels that, in the years to come, teenagers will continue to turn towards God for meaning in their lives.



4. Betsy Ingram and Miles Fain, both students at Stratford High, are two of the small groups of high school students who meet weekly, on Mondays, at the home of youth leader Carolyn Whaley. At this meeting, teenagers are taught how to share their faith with their friends.





FADS

Clothes

Do you have one of those famous names on one of your back pockets? Every year Spring Branch does its own share of creating new ideas in just about everything from what to wear, where to go, music to listen to, and even ways to talk!

The 1980-81 school year proved to be no exception.

During the winter months, Spring Branch maintained the "preppy" look. For the guys the look was the corduroy jeans and the button down Oxfords. A favorite combination in color seemed to be gray and pink. For the girls the look was the plaid skirt, the blazer, the Oxford shirts, and topsiders. Many variation of these basic outfits were seen. The girls still wore the designer jeans with their Oxford shirts, and the guys were also seen in Calvin Klein jeans for men.

During the summer months, the preppy look was still seen, but as the beach became the favorite spot, so did the clothes that represent the sun and the summer months. Izod shirts were back for both the boys and the girls. With summer, the name of a new designer was seen, Ralph Lauren. The sun dresses were back, and the lace-up sandals. Seven Seas Surf Shop shirts became more popular along with the Ocean Pacific shirts for the guys.

Movies

1. 9 to 5
2. Ordinary People
3. Elephant Man
4. Jazz Singer
5. Friday the 13th
6. Empire Strikes Back
7. Coalminer's Daughter
8. Urban Cowboy

1. Whip It
2. 9 to 5
3. All Out of Love
4. Keep on Lovin' You
5. Another One Bites the Dust
6. Back in Black
7. Smokey Mountain Rain

Songs

Sayings

1. Random
2. We're bad
3. Drunk Cowboy
4. I'm sure
5. You're neat
6. "Mega ... "

1. Kroger
2. Mr. Gatties
3. "The tree"
4. K-Mart
5. Westhiemer
6. Castles

Hangouts

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The political year that transpired during the 1980-81 school term was characterized by the resounding defeat of incumbent President Jimmy Carter by Ronald Reagan, the equally impressive resurgence of the Republican Party in the senate and congressional races, and a definite voicing of opinion from the voters of America reflecting their disillusionment concerning the political trends into which the United States was beginning to venture.

According to one Washington lobbyist, the sound defeat of the President reflected not so much a strong dislike of Carter but a "sea change." The American people had opted for a new direction for their lives and their country.

Following Reagan's election, NEWSWEEK described Reagan as "the most underestimated man in American politics . . . a washed-up movie star, it was said, who was too old, too simple and too far right to be President."

"Reagan's victory was a repudiation of Carter and his accident-prone presidency after a single term," stated NEWSWEEK.

"Reagan is the oldest man to ever be elected President, only three months short of 70 on Election Day and by far the most conservative since Herbert Hoover."

The 1980 presidential race was narrowed to Edward Kennedy and the incumbent Carter on the Democratic side, while the wide-open Republican field included Ronald Reagan, George Bush, John Anderson, who later became a popular third party candidate as an independent, Robert Dole, Howard Baker, Phillip Crane and John Connally, who quickly withdrew after the initial primary contests.

After weeks of primaries and confrontations between candidates, the focus centered on the 1980 Republican National Convention held in Detroit during early August.

Republican Solidarity and the struggle for a "new beginning" was the theme of the GOP affair which featured the possibility of a Ronald Reagan-Gerald Ford "dream ticket" for several dramatic hours. Though it was only a rumor, the press corps in attendance harped on the idea of a Reagan-Ford candidacy.

Unfortunately, the idea of inviting Ford to be his running mate was just that, only an idea for Reagan, and Reagan deemed it necessary to make an uncustomarily early visit to the convention on the night prior to the delegate-vote on the GOP ticket. Reagan cleared the air of wild rumors, thus also breaking the dreamy hopes of some, and declared his former opponent George Bush as his vice-presidential running mate. While it was a definite anticlimax to the evening, support for the Reagan-Bush ticket grew quickly as the attention soon shifted to New York City, site of the Democratic National Convention.

While the Democrats displayed a vote of confidence for the incumbent administration by renominating Carter and Mondale to the ticket, it was obvious that a appreciable number of Democrats were in favor of making Edward Kennedy the candidate of 1980.

Even on the final evening of the convention, as Carter went before the Democratic delegation to accept this renomination, it was clear that the eyes of many Democrats were now focused on a Kennedy Candidacy in 1984. But the convention did prove Carter's "Rose Garden" primary stance as a successful strategy, bringing him the nomination, although he had rarely left the sanctuary of the White House to campaign for the primary races.

John Anderson re-entered the campaign picture as an independent candidate, launching the first credible third-party candidacy in the nation's history. Meanwhile, Ed Clark made a feeble attempt at gaining the presidency under the support of his Libertarian Party. Although both men kept up their fight to the very end, they could not compete financially or realistically with the traditional Republican and Democratic candidates.

Reagan took a quick edge in the campaign for the presidency proclaiming: "Let's make America great again." Reagan proposed a three-year across-the-board tax cut for American citizens plus a vigorous budget cutting effort to gain a balanced budget by 1984.

Initially, it appeared that the incumbent Carter would be overcome by Reagan in the November election, but as he concentrated on the situation in Iran, Carter employed his advantages as incumbent and nearly made the greatest comeback



Houstonians

According to three prominent, politically active Houstonians, this country experienced one of the most exciting presidential elections of the century during 1980. Rolland Storey, president of the Free Market Educational Foundation; Lewis Cutrer, former mayor of Houston, and Jack Webb, vice president in charge of government relations for Gulf Coast Resources Chemical Corporation, discussed their political philosophies and attitudes surrounding the election.

"Civilization goes up and down. The trick is to be on the up side, not the down side. How do you be on the up side? Be free. Free to let the remarkable ingenuity of man take place. There is absolutely no limit as to what man can do. I don't lock him up. Let him be free!"

These are the words of Rolland Storey who has been an outspoken advocate for the free enterprise system since he retired from Houston Natural Gas 10 years ago.

"Free enterprise is threatened when we can't keep the fruits of our labor," Storey explained. "Every restriction is a potential threat. Free enterprise is threatened every time anybody uses force to get what he wants."

"The opposite of freedom is force. Any time force enters the picture, some freedom is lost," said Storey.

While Storey cites the importance of free enterprise, former Houston Mayor Lewis Cutrer had additional insights to offer.

"I don't think the government should hand out to people who can take care of themselves," Cutrer said. "I have the impression the government can tighten up a bit on the use of public funds, especially for people that don't need them and are not entitled to them," Cutrer added. "People should earn their own way rather than rely on the government."

Jack Webb, vice president in charge of government relations for Gulf Coast Resources Chemical Corporation, is closely involved in current politics in Washington. As a lobbyist, Webb spends every fourth week in Washington maneuvering for legislation favorable to the corporation.

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by an incumbent President since Harry Truman's near-defeat by Thomas Dewey in 1948.

Most historians would agree that the entire campaign came down to the wire to be ultimately decided by the final Carter-Reagan debate held days before the election.

In the waning hours of the campaign, not even the sudden revival of the hope for American hostages in Iran could save Carter's collapsing candidacy.

In what James Earl Carter himself had declared as a choice between two futures, the American people elected Ronald Reagan to the Presidency over Carter by an overwhelming margin, 51 per cent to 41 per cent of the polls, plus a convincing electoral count of 483 for Reagan compared to Carter's 49. Reagan also led the resurgent Republican party to control of the Senate for the first time in a generation. The GOP picked up 33 seats in the House, 11 in Senate seats and 4 governorships, allowing Howard Baker to replace Robert Byrd as Senate Majority leader. Legendary members of the senate such as George McGovern, Frank Church and Birch Bayh had been toppled from office by their Republican opponents as Americans displeased for the government and Congress that had ruled the United States for the past four years, the decade, and beyond that.

The Reagan transition and planning teams were efficiently assembled to prepare for the great task at hand come January 20, 1981. Ronald Wilson Reagan would be sworn in as the 40th President of the United States of America, and once again the "man from California" planned to surround himself with an array of competent aides and staffers, including former General Alexander Haig as his Secretary of State and Casper Weinberger heading Reagan's revamped Defense Department.

Reagan's staffers, led by Budget Director David Stockman, worked round-the-clock in the early days of the administration meticulously and carefully scaling down the federal budget for 1981. While some cuts were major and various special interest groups voiced their displeasure with the proposed cutbacks, Reagan personally took his case to Capital Hill, appealing to Republican and Democratic congressional leaders alike to approve his proposed budget for 1982, and his equally integral three-year, 30% tax cut proposal.

Unfortunately, Reagan would not make it through the first 100 days in office unscathed. On March 30, John Hinckley attempted to assassinate President Reagan upon the chief executive's departure from a labor convention appearance at the Washington Hilton. In a volley of gunfire, Reagan was struck once in the upper left chest; his press secretary, James Brady, was seriously wounded after taking a bullet through the brain, and a Washington police officer and a secret service agent were also struck in the violent melee.

Reagan, recovering from surgery to remove the near-fatal bullet from his chest cavity, spent just over a week at George Washington University Hospital before returning to a continuing period of recuperation at the White House.

— by Gary Mitchell

1. President Ronald Reagan's popularity soared after an assassin's attempt on his life. 2. Vice President George Bush has strong national and local appeal. 3. Mayor Lewis Cutrer was considered Houston's gentleman mayor. 4. Rolland Storey is president of the Free Market Educational Foundation. 5. Jack Webb is a lobbyist for Gulf Coast Resources Chemical Corporation.

Speak Out On Election

"Politics has always been in the hands of the rich," Webb said. "Too much government control might be our biggest problem. Whoever controls the money, controls the works."

In respect to elections, Storey is skeptical concerning the candidates and the parties they represent.

"I don't think the people, down in their hearts, believe it makes a difference who holds public office. They don't think it will make a difference, and I kind of have to think they are right. Now that's sad."

"We should examine the reasons why this is so," Storey continued. "All the different people have varying wants, varying needs. Some want this. Some want that. Now the politician wants to help all these different people with their different needs."

"It comes down to 'What is the role of government? Is it the government's job to help everybody? No! The role of government is to protect us so we can fulfill our own needs.'"

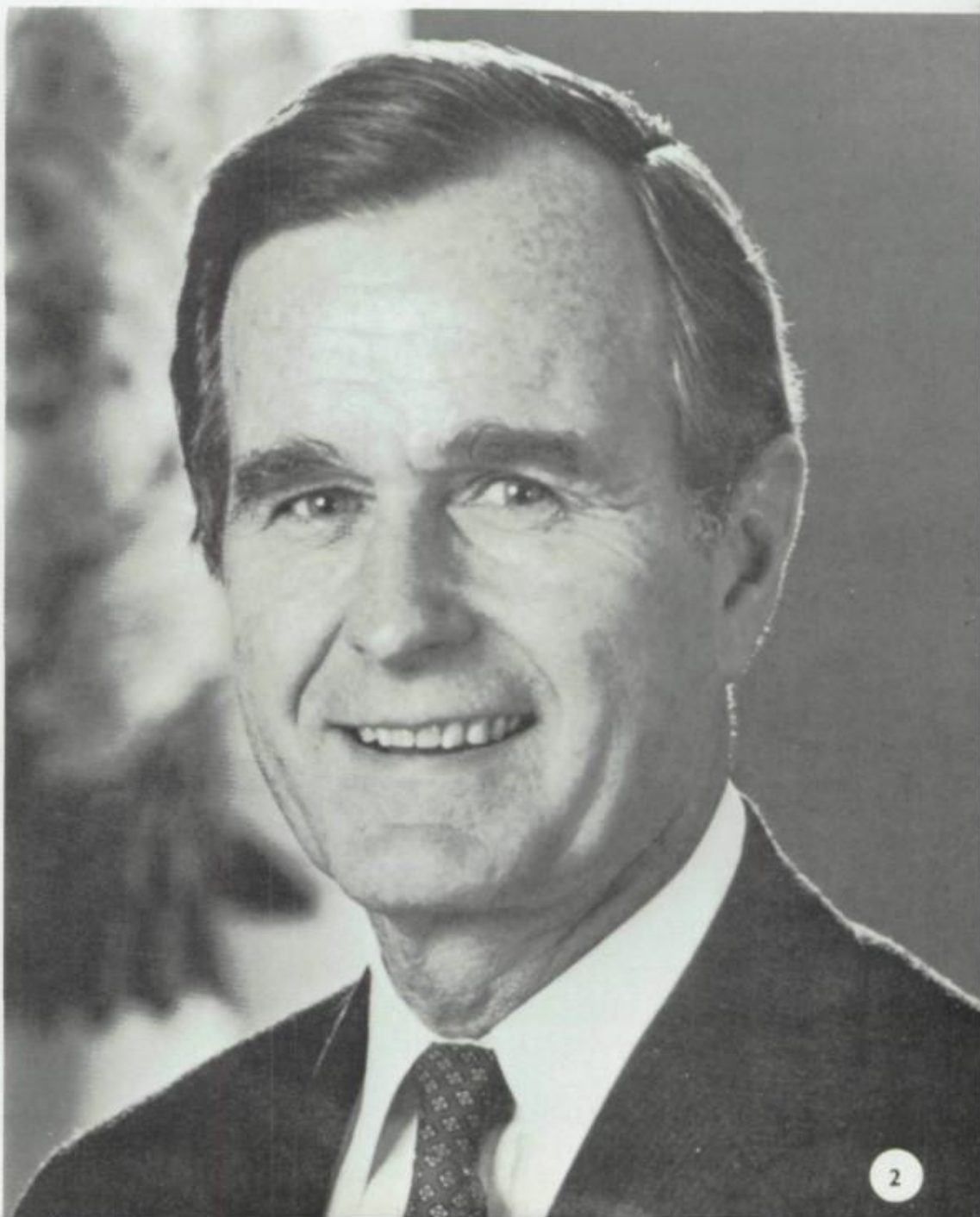
Webb, although an independent, worked for the Reagan campaign in Houston. He was very happy about the landslide vote that put Reagan in office.

"We have just had one of the most exciting evenings of our lives," exclaimed Webb.

Forty-one senate seats have gone Republican. This type of election may not open but once in our lifetimes. The American people are ready to get the show back on the road."

Reagan will make a definite change in the country. The people have indicated a change."

— Patti Flint



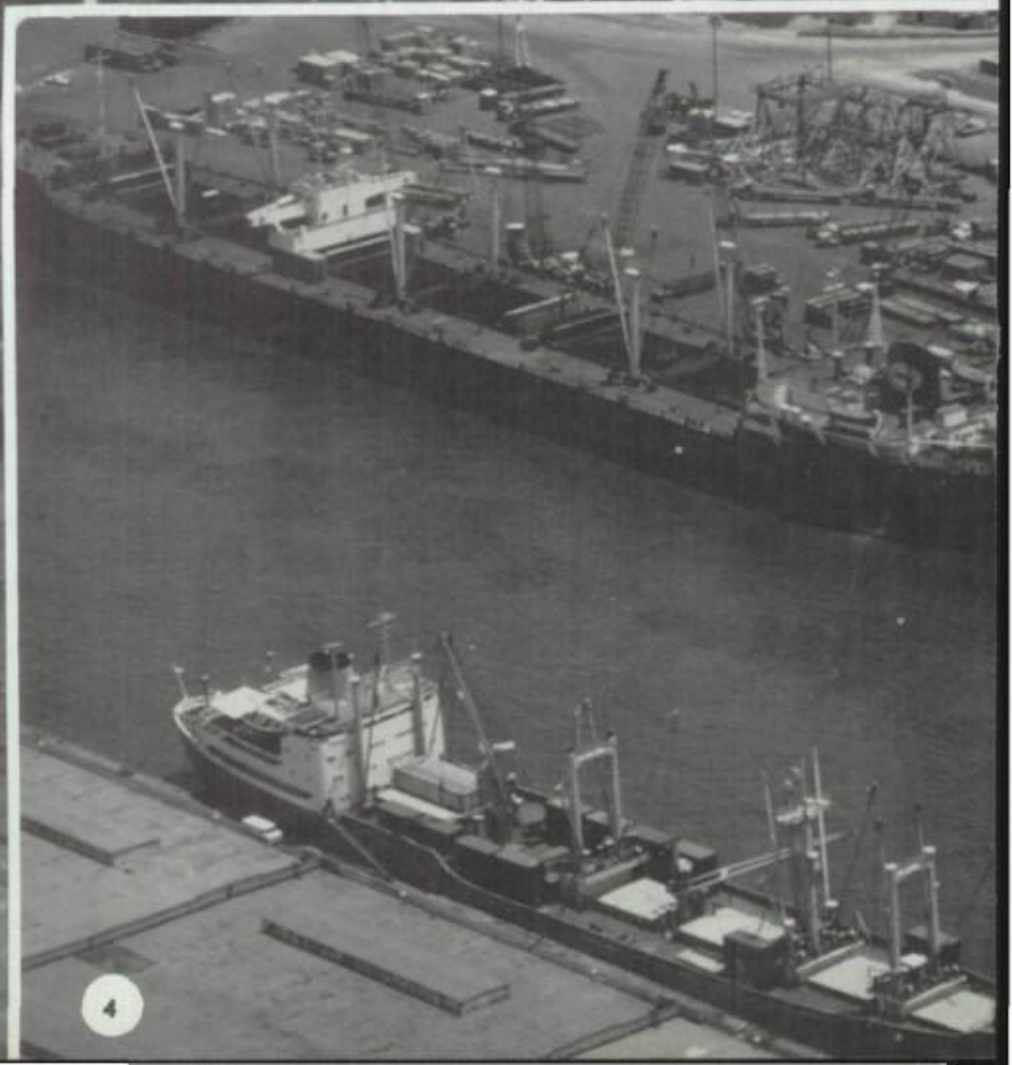
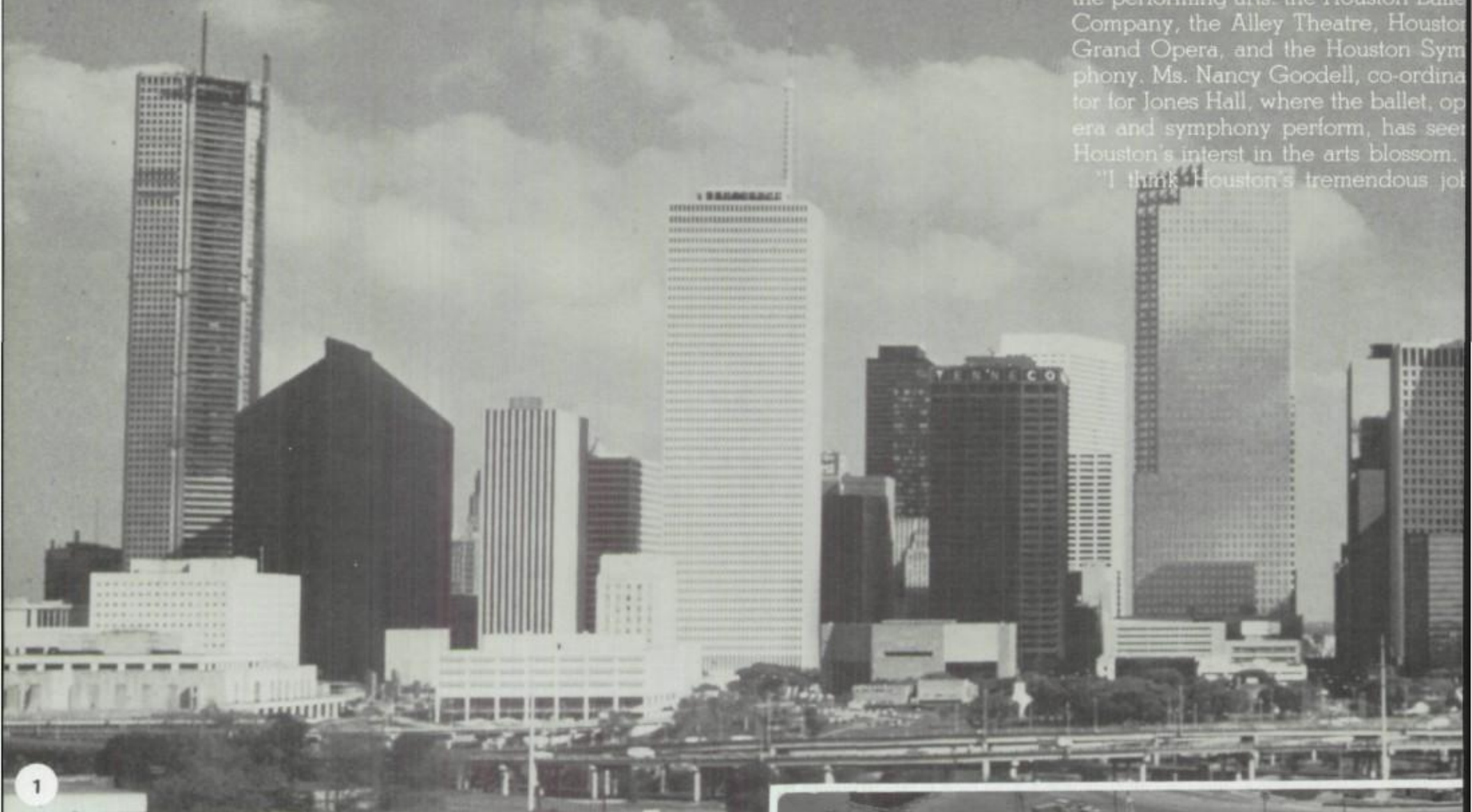
Houston: Glittering Cow Town

Houston, the one-time land of the fabled cowboy and the dusty trail, is a city built from dirt, sweat and oil, especially oil, by the hands of powerful Texans. Today, a glittering, golden, rapidly growing city attracts newcomers by the thousands. Houston is seen as a veritable gold mine by those seeking jobs.

Although there are some who consider Houston a stench hole that, like malignancy, engulfs surrounding areas, for ex-swamp land, Houston has done quite well for herself.

Houston is one of four major American cities with recognised centers in the performing arts: the Houston Ballet Company, the Alley Theatre, Houston Grand Opera, and the Houston Symphony. Ms. Nancy Goodell, co-ordinator for Jones Hall, where the ballet opera and symphony perform, has seen Houston's interest in the arts blossom.

"I think Houston's tremendous job



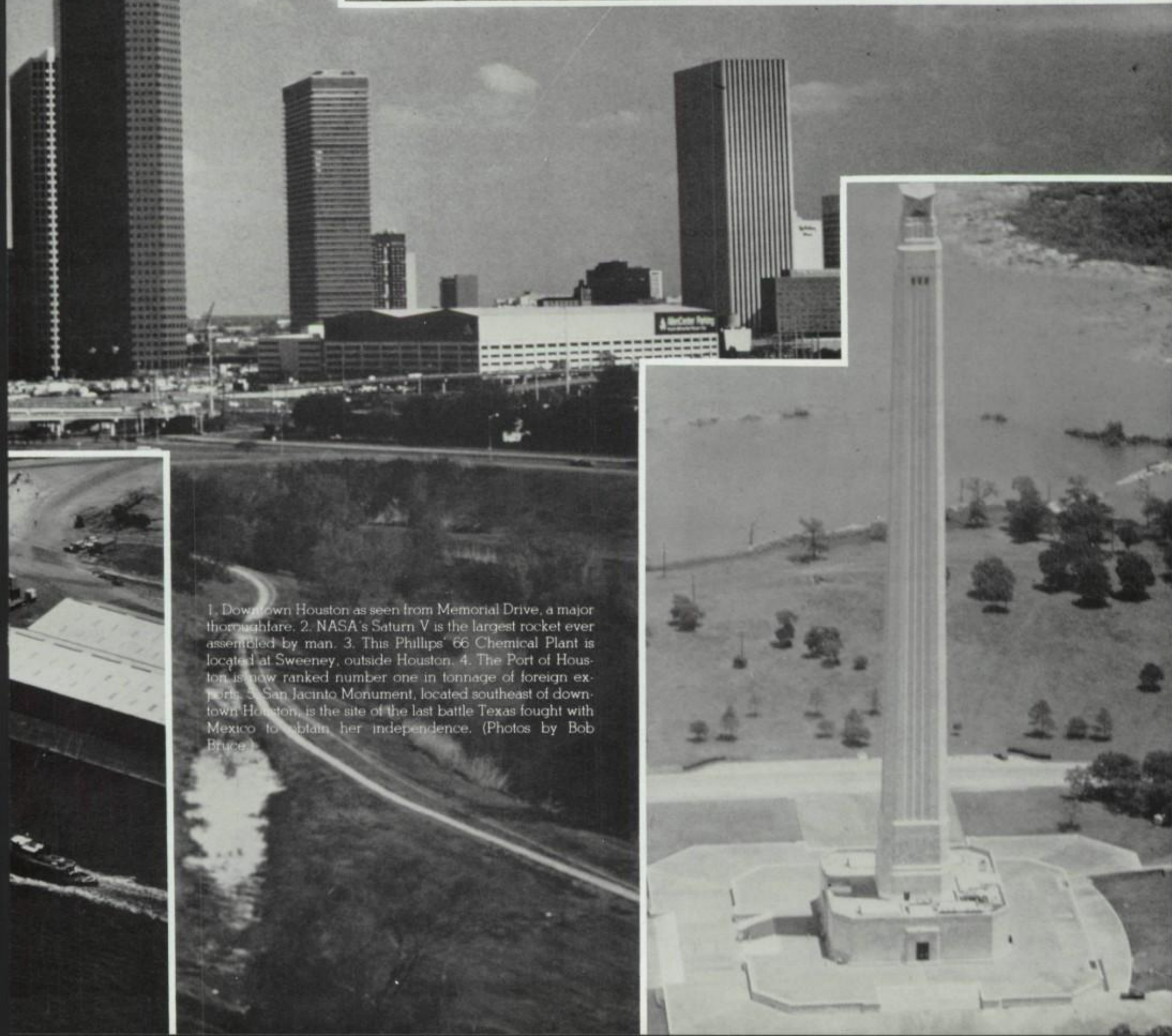
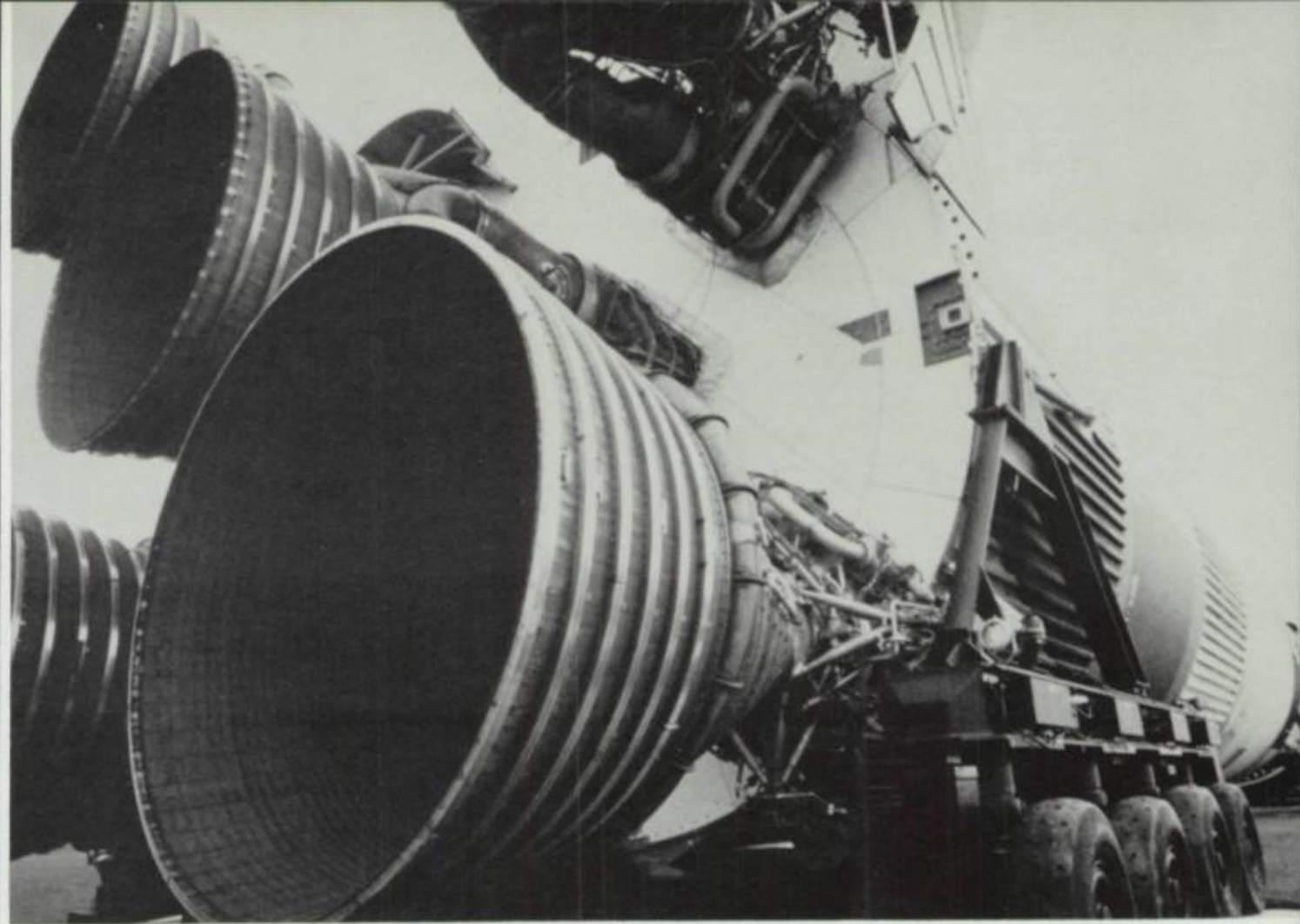
market has brought people who love the classics to the city. Whenever a city becomes more catholic (metropolitan), you'll see cultural interests grow. Houston is headed in that direction," she said.

In recent years, Houston has been able to boast of successful sports teams such as the Oilers football team, the Astros baseball team and the Rockets basketball team.

Houston is the home of nationally famous politicians, movie stars as well as a place of refuge for many who come to America in search of the best that democracy has to offer.

Few visitors to the city escape Houston's captivating charm, a combination of southern gentility hidden beneath a turbulent, seething excitement which pushes and stretches to be fully grown.

Christine Clarridge



1. Downtown Houston as seen from Memorial Drive, a major thoroughfare. 2. NASA's Saturn V is the largest rocket ever assembled by man. 3. This Phillips' 66 Chemical Plant is located at Sweeney, outside Houston. 4. The Port of Houston is now ranked number one in tonnage of foreign exports. 5. San Jacinto Monument, located southeast of downtown Houston, is the site of the last battle Texas fought with Mexico to obtain her independence. (Photos by Bob Bruce.)

Houston: Too Big For Its Britches

Rail System Remains Key To Metro Plan

While Houston possesses one of the most outstanding and expensive freeway networks in the world, the ability to expand the capacity of the freeways is limited. Also, new construction cannot keep pace with the 350 new vehicles which add to Harris County's congested road system every day.

With the continued overcrowding of streets and freeways, Houston faces ever-shrinking mobility.

As a result, transportation has become one of Houston's biggest problems.

Today it takes twice as long to drive to work as it did ten years ago. Experts predict that the congestion that develops on the city's freeways during rush hour could last all day by 1995.

In 1978, Houston's Metropolitan Transit Authority (also known as MTA and METRO) was formed.

MTA would operate in part by funds received from a 1% sales tax referendum approved by the voters of Harris County. Also, MTA would receive Mass Transit funds from the Federal Government.

According to Ms. Janet Rediker, a media specialist for MTA, one of the biggest challenges that MTA initially faced was the fact that Houston's growth had greatly surpassed the city's strained transit system.

"It's true," said Ms. Rediker, referring to the situation which forced MTA to wage catch-up battle from the very beginning. "For example, in 1979 the bus system then in operation provided service to only 500 square miles of the city while the entire MTA district actually covered 1300 square miles.

Ms. Rediker also explained that MTA receives approximately \$115 million per year to work within their budget. These funds are a combination of Federal transit dollars, money from the bus system fareboxes, and the 1% MTA tax which was instated in 1978. She added that MTA makes the majority of its money by investing and banking its money wisely.

One of the first programs which MTA stressed to reduce congestion was the CarShare/VanPool matching program which had started in the early '70's and was recognized as the most successful carpool program in the country in 1975.

MTA campaigned for CarShare as an immediate, inexpensive and viable solution to Houston's increasing traffic congestion.

One MTA study revealed: "By 1983, CarShare annual benefits will include 720 million miles of travel reduced, 48 million gallons of fuel conserved and 24,000 tons of pollutants reduced. Furthermore, each carpooler would save \$1500 annually."

The contraflow project on the North Freeway (I-45) was the first priority treatment for transit on a freeway implemented by METRO. The lane allows the commuter to ride downtown in half the time the trip would require by auto in normal traffic.

Recently, when METRO announced its 1,000,000th contraflow rider, the daily Contraflow average had risen to nearly 10,000 passengers per day. That is comparable to the daily average of August, 1979 (immediately after Contra-

flow had opened) which was only 1400 passengers per day.

"Contraflow is only the first step," explained Ms. Rediker. "Eventually, the non-peak lanes on the contraflow side will become just as congested as the peak lanes during rush hour. Therefore, a transit rail system remains the ultimate key to the transit plan."

At one time, transit rail systems were considered not suitable for the transportation situation that Houston was in.

"The experts felt that while Houston was a large city with transit needs, it was too spread out and had too low a population density for rail lines," explained Ms. Rediker. "As Houston grew during the last half of the decade, the population gradually became denser and more suitable for a rail transit system.

The Regional Transit Development Plan released in 1978 called for the construction of 80 miles of elevated, separate transit facilities along available Houston freeways.

The plan stated: "The METRO trans-

1. Grumman buses, one of the first major investments made by MTA, now make up the majority of Houston's daily bus fleet.



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sitways will be designed to permit conversion from exclusive bus corridors to an automated guideway/rail system as demand warrants. Conversion can be accomplished without disrupting peak hour express bus service along the transitway "

MTA feels that rapid rail systems will be the ultimate key to the transitway plan simply because they carry so many people," explained Ms. Rediker.

"In an average hour, a train of 6-8 cars would carry up to 60,000 passengers per hour. In comparison, our present bus system only accomodates 10,000 passengers each hour."

"The key to the rail system will be to see how many people will start to ride it, and how many keep riding it," Ms. Rediker stated.

Presently, MTA has begun planning and surveying work on the Southwest/Westpark rail corridor project.

"Work is just starting on the project which will take approximately eight years to finish," explained Ms. Rediker. "The first three to four years will involve the engineering process, and the remainder of the time will be for actual construction of the corridor."

She explained that planning work on other projected rail corridors would begin immediately, even during the present work on the Southwest corridor. The second corridor to be installed will be the Hardy Street corridor, which runs north between I-45 and Route 59 towards Intercontinental Airport.

"The Hardy Street corridor is perfect for tail conversion since it will call for the least disruption from present conditions," stated Ms. Rediker.

Ms. Rediker also commented that although transit rail lines will be constructed, the present programs must continue to be stressed.

"CarShare and Park and Ride will continue to be important. An improved bus system and even a rail system cannot take one everywhere in the city."

While MTA is attempting to improve the transportation woes that the city's growth has created, Ms. Rediker feels that MTA can also aid with future growth in Houston.

"Some cities have put in transit rail

lines just to stimulate growth in a particular urban area, but MTA obviously did not do it for that reason. But, the Southwest/Westpark corridor will definitely cause hi-rise and business development adjacent to it."

Although the Metropolitan Transit Authority's Regional Transit Plan is focused on the city-wide angle, local citizens also feel that smaller communities



play a major role in future transit plans.

"I think that Spring Valley citizens would use the bus system if it were adequate and dependable," said M.C. Worsham, a Spring Valley citizen.

"I would never use this junk we have now. But, I think all the smaller cities from Spring Valley to Hedwig Village and all the way out to West Belt would pick to use the transit system if it were improved as they plan to."

Ms. Mary Beth Hutson, director of the Office Education Association, explained that she can only place her students in the immediate area because of the transit situation.

"The students must have at least four work hours each day. I have no way to place students downtown because of the congestion and the time factor involved."

Ms. Hutson explained that the main problem is the lack of crosstown busing.

"Cars are necessary for this area, and most of my students have them. I have only one student now that can use the bus system since she has a job that is on the Long Point-Old Katy Road route,"

2. Metro busses travel rapidly down the North Freeway contraflow lane during the morning rush hour. Contraflow riders are transported downtown within twenty minutes, while passenger cars sit in traffic en route to downtown for nearly an hour.

she said.

"The streets of Houston are like the spokes of a wheel," explained Edward V. Dorr, a former member of the original MTA board.

"The bus system has always tended to follow that pattern, and therefore there is very little crosstown busing. Everything is based on downtown exchange. They always had enough problems trying to keep enough buses on the existing routes to ever consider creating newer crosstown routes."

While on the board, Mr. Dorr tried to convince MTA to work with local school boards to get Carshare programs started that would work with area students.

"There were already parking problems. The program would've been a true saver and it would've helped everyone involved materially."

Mr. Dorr explained that current programs such as Carshare and Park and Ride must become adjunct to mass transit since a rail system will not solve all traffic problems.

Gary Mitchell

Current Lifestyles Focus On Jobs

"School Wasn't Enough."

Why do the students of SBHS spend most of their spare time away from school working? For many students working gives them the extra money they need to pay for the rising cost of gasoline and clothes. For other students, jobs provide the social environment they want.

"If I hadn't gotten into a work program, I would have quit school," Kelli Chupic, remarked. "School just wasn't enough, and working at something enjoyable made school worthwhile."

Many of the school's work programs, VOE, ICT, and HECE to name a few, give students the chance to work at a future career. Work enables students to learn marketable skills instead of spending so much time going through school and college before getting a job suitable for supporting oneself or possibly a family. These work-related organizations allow students to receive first-hand experience and help students find full-time employment without the extra step of a college degree.

"To obtain an entry-level position with many large companies, for example in the accounting field, a degree from a four-year college is mandatory, but to obtain a professional position in a company such as vice president, experience, as well as a college degree, is required," a Tenneco employee in charge of personnel remarked.

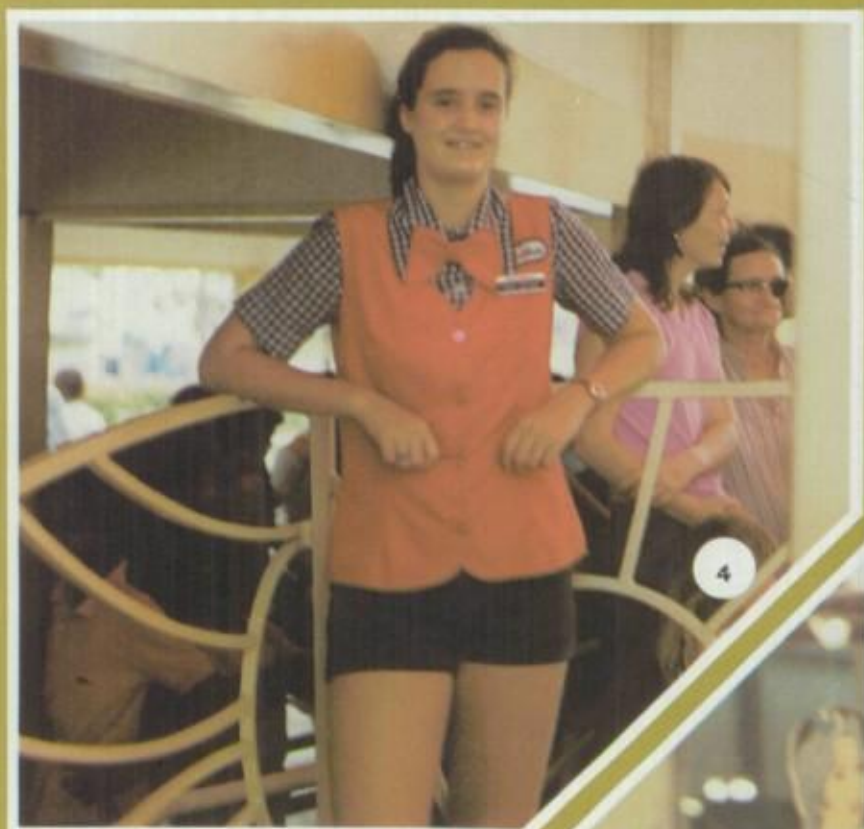
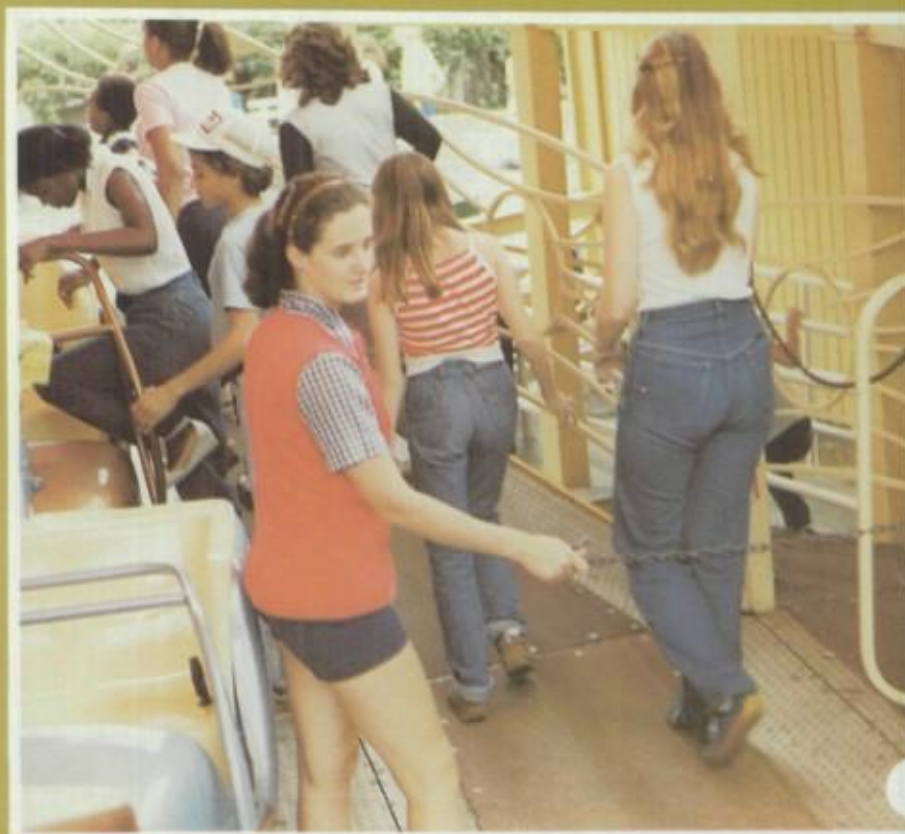
Many students spend eight to ten years of their lives trying to maintain academic excellence, and because of this, they never have the opportunity to move out into the world and gain experience through working.

"If people could work at writing reports, taking notes and making straight A's, we would have a lot of people with 10 years of experience behind them before they begin looking for a job," Byron Russell, director of vocational education for Spring Branch Independent Schools, said.

There are a lot of reasons for teens working: experience, money, the desire to learn a marketable skill, and the environment. Some teens work for the opportunity to meet new people and to learn to work with people.

"School helps a little with this, but working with strangers and customers who are always first, is something work is teaching me. This is something I will be glad I have experience in," Lorraine Bentley, junior, said.

The variety of jobs which students hold is phenomenal. Students work as pathologists' assistants, models, cooks, cashiers, typists, singers, dancers, teaching assistant's, photographers, wherever their talents may lead them.





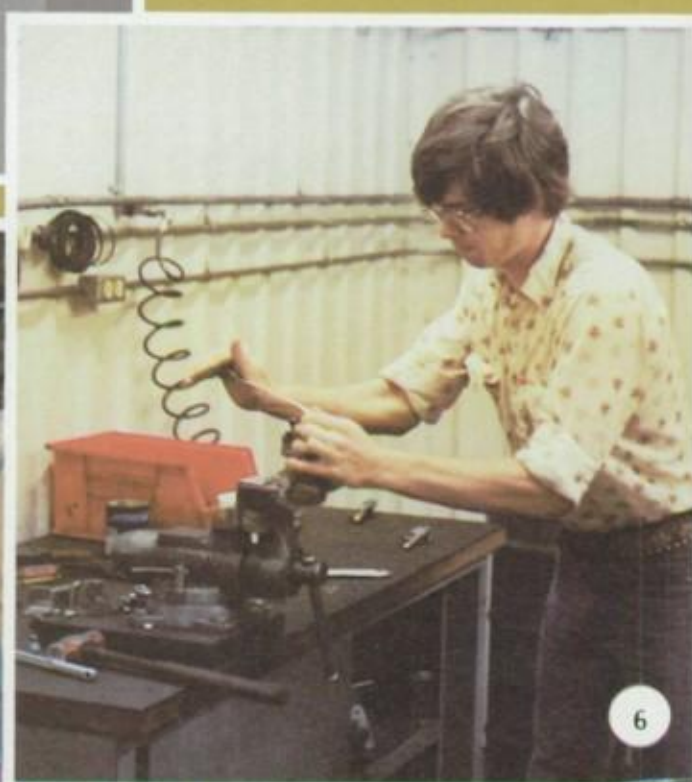
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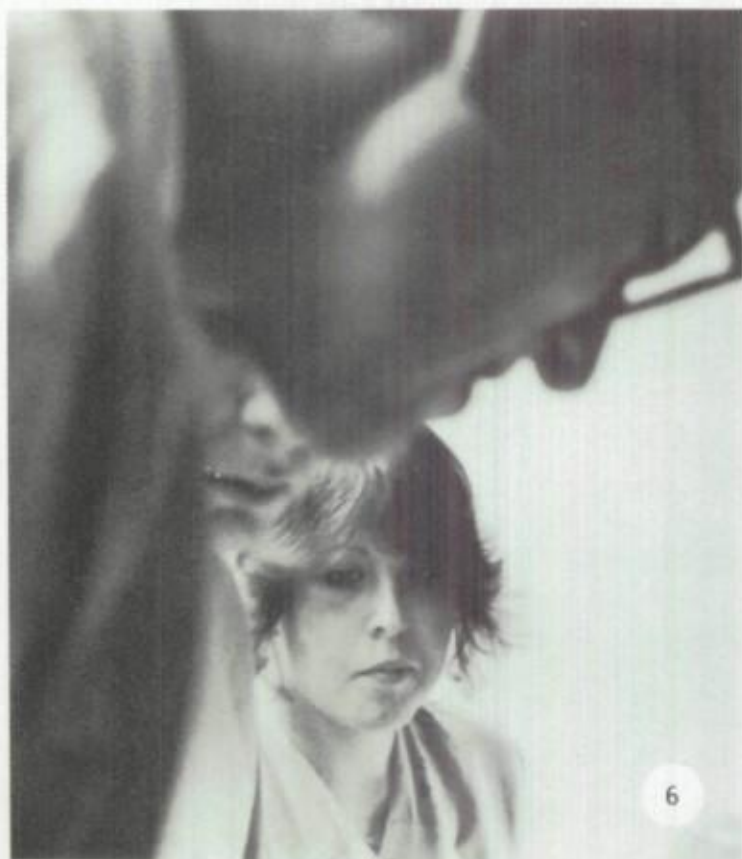
1. Tammy Jamison, sophomore, works at the Whirling Dervish at Astroworld.
2. Betty Eastup, sophomore, works as a model and is shown here in one of her studio sessions.
3. Freddy Bailey, junior, works for Milton Turney Plumbing. After working for his father for many years, Freddy wants to learn the industrial side of the business.
4. "I enjoy working at Astroworld because it is a social environment. You really get to meet a lot of people," said Tammy Jamison, sophomore.
5. Linda Neils, senior, is employed by Joske's. She works in the ladies dress department at Town and Country Shopping Center.
6. Charles Cleveland, employed by Houston Fuel Injection as a diesel specialist, works through the ICT program.
7. Paige Hewitt, senior, works as a sales person at Studio Scarpa. Paige is a member of the HECE program.
8. Scott Pitney, junior, is employed as a machinist by Thomas Instrument and Machine Company.
9. Gigi Saltzman, senior, works through the VOE program. Gigi is employed by Brown Oil and Tools as an accounting clerk.



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1. Many students are employed at supermarkets and drug stores. Janet Parek, senior, is a cashier at Eckerd's Drugs.

2. Richard Bolton, senior, works for his father at Pilgrim Cleaners.

3. Chi Ha, sophomore, is a salesperson at Weiner's Department Store on Longpoint.

4. Marlene Marino, sophomore, is employed by McDonald's Restaurant on Wirt Road.

5. Christy Spraggins, senior, sings at Gilley's Club in Pasadena. She had the opportunity to

meet John Travolta during the filming of the **Urban Cowboy**.

6. Robin Young, senior, is employed by Sam Houston Memorial Hospital as a pathologist's assistant. She works through the Health Careers Program.

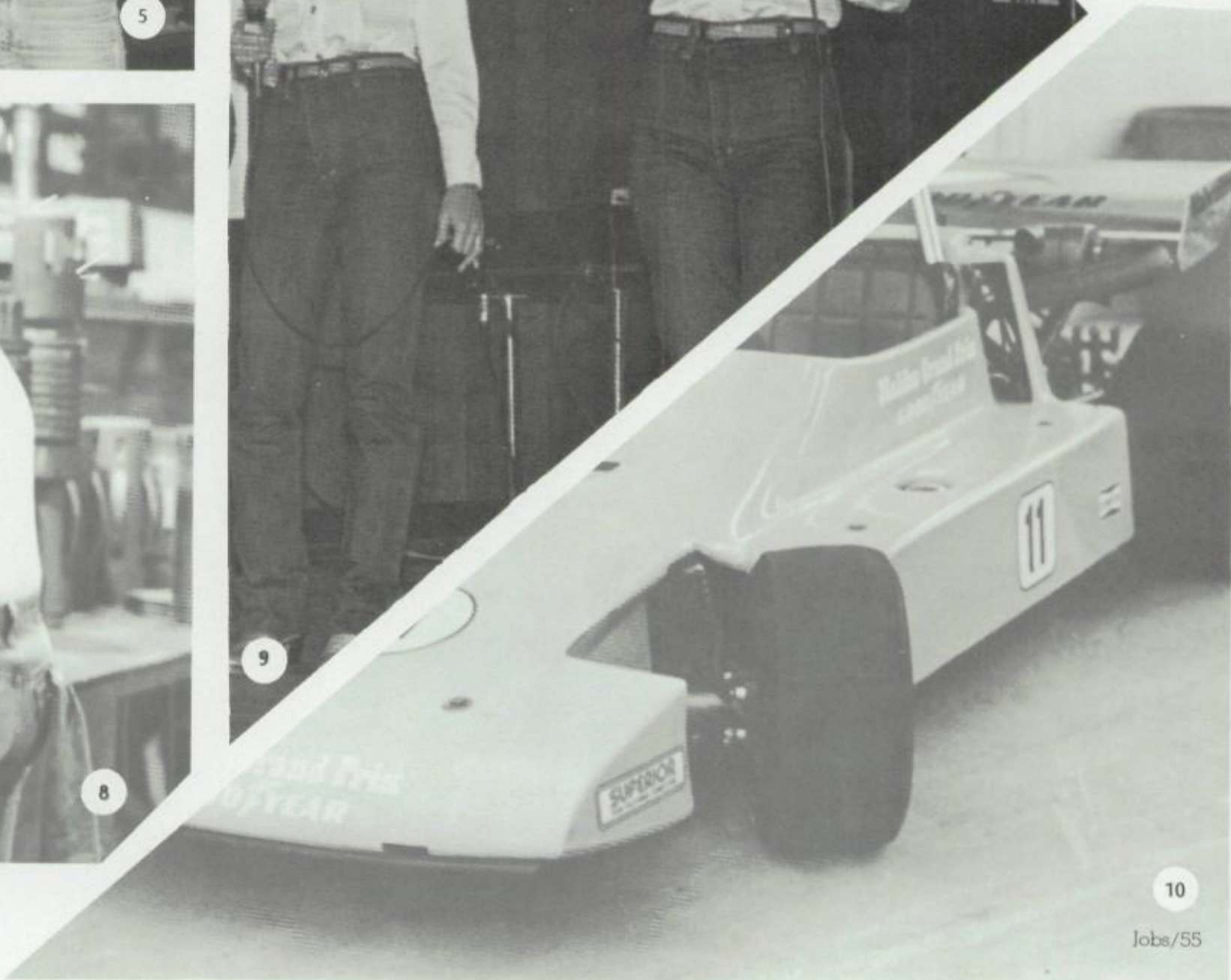
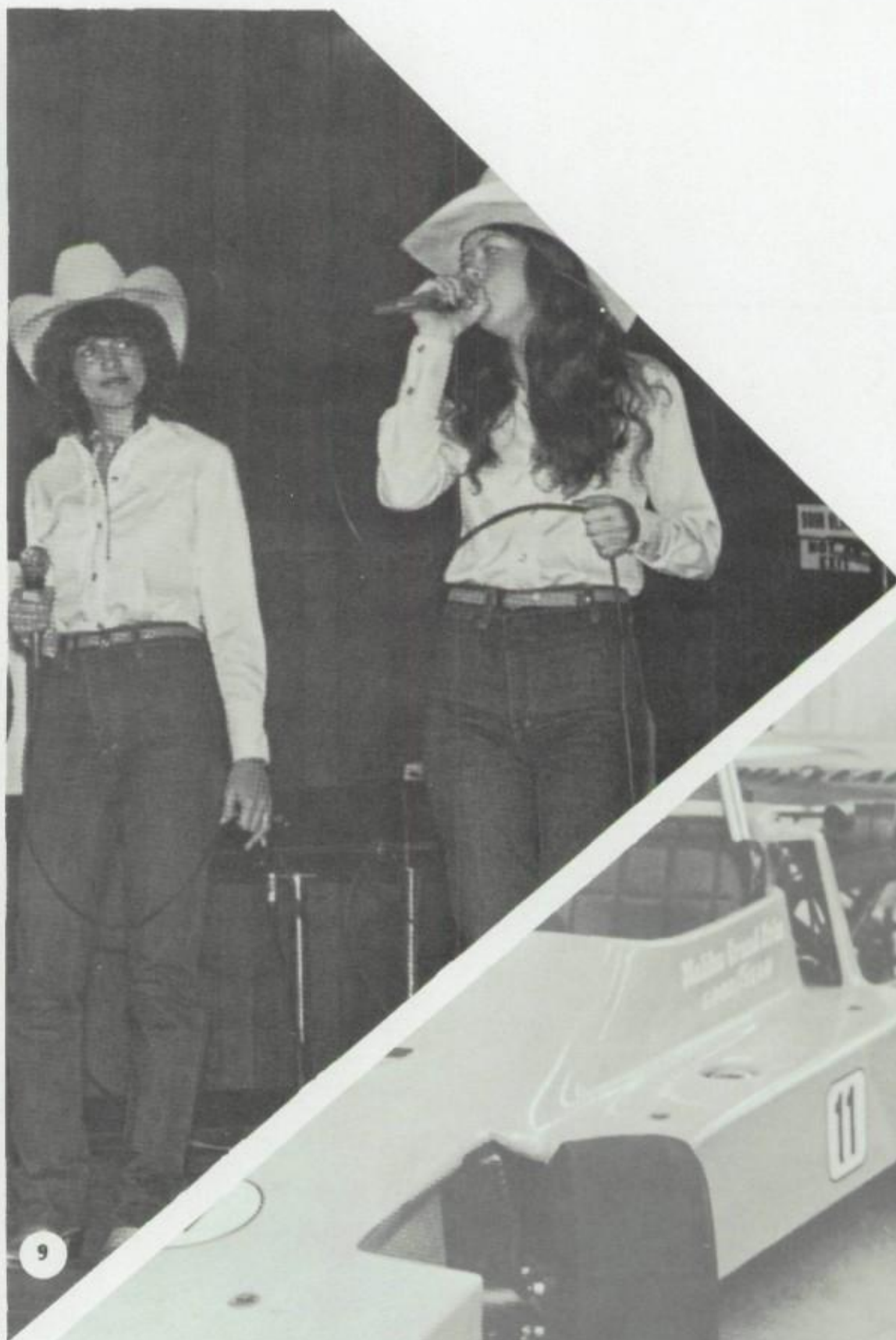
7. Kelli Chupic, senior, works as a teacher's aid to Life Learning Center at Spring Branch Nazarene Church. Kelli works through the HECE program.

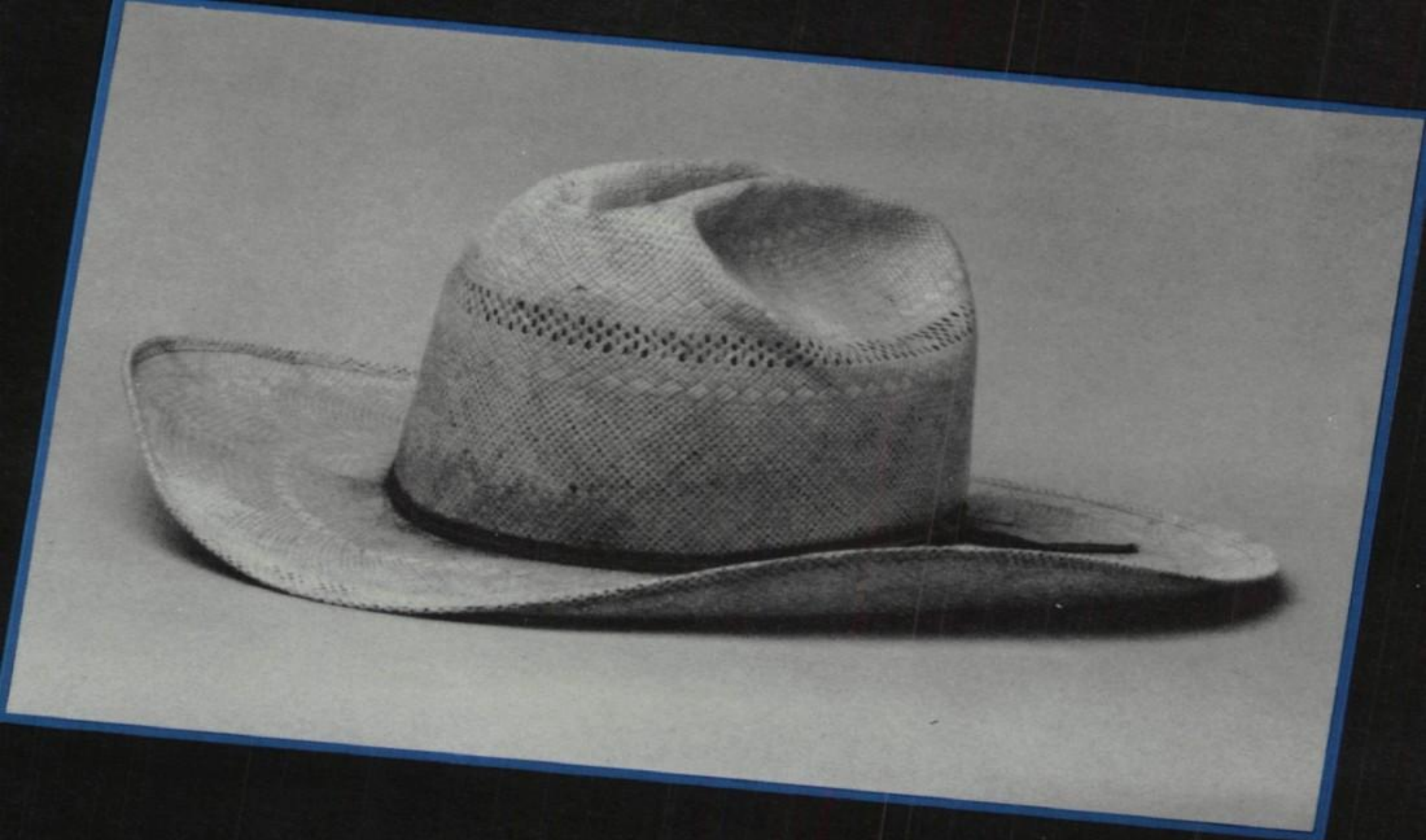
8. Gary Anderson, senior, works at Brown Oil

Tools.

9. Christy and her sister Gail Spraggins sing their new record "House of Straw." Christy is a senior at Spring Branch.

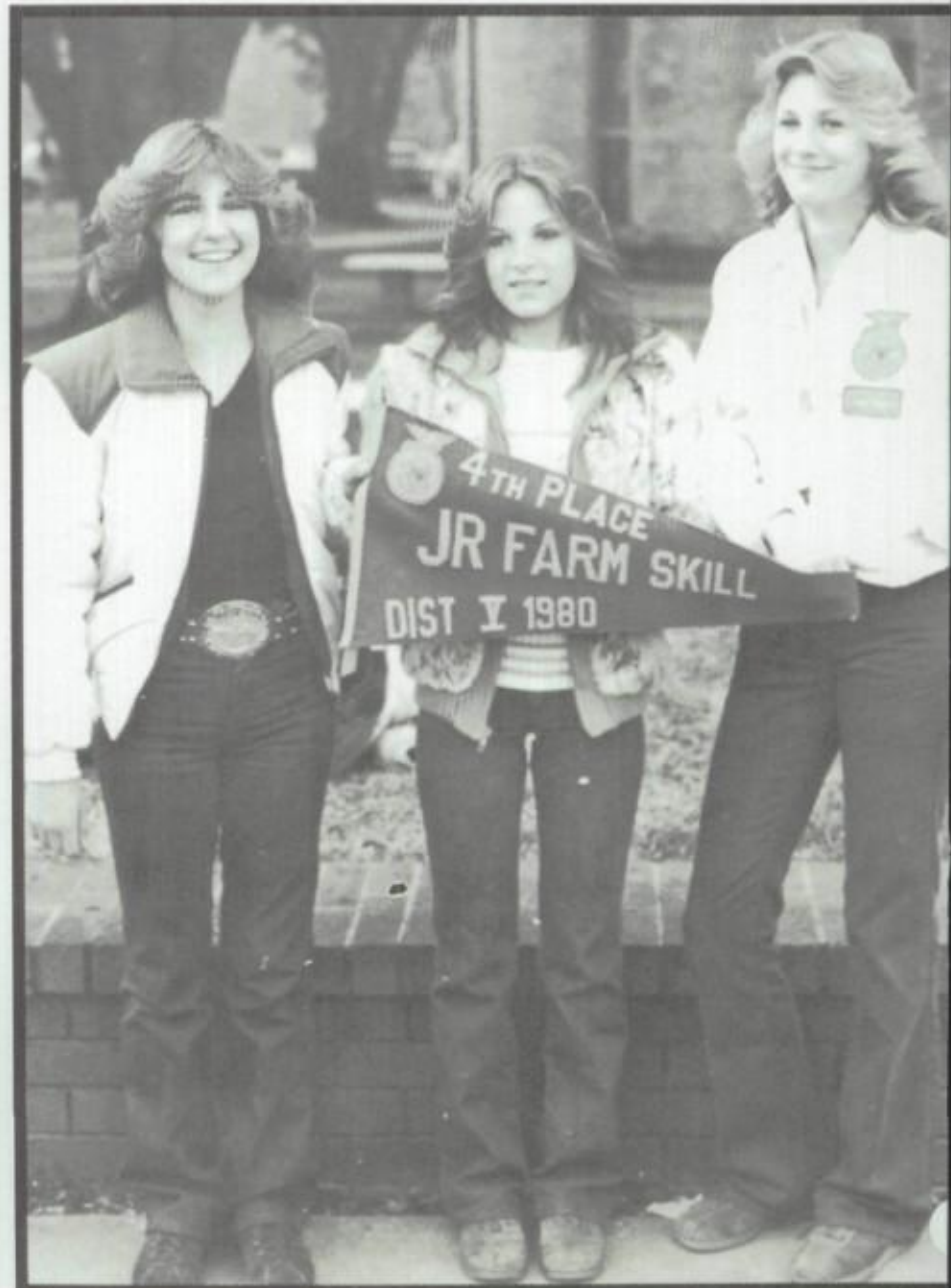
10. Several students from Spring Branch are employed by Malibu and Castle Golf and Games. Working with the cars at Malibu Grand Prix is a big responsibility, and safety is a number one priority.





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There's More To Farming Than Plowing And Plantin



The long-standing FFA program at Spring Branch High School is considered one of the finest in the area. The students work toward producing a top quality livestock show which they accomplished this year.

"We did fantastically! The students earned over \$60,000," said John Cooper, agriculture teacher, concerning the livestock show, held Friday, March 20.

The grand and reserve champions came in as follows: steer- John Barry; grand, Kari Allen, reserve: swine- Dan Calloway; grand, Cindy Garza, reserve: lamb- Jeanette Griffin; grand, Jeff Pruett, reserve; poultry- Ricky Winn, grand, Dawn Hurst, reserve, and rabbits- Tammy Fogarty, grand, Darrel Warhmund, reserve.

"All 67 of them were outstanding," said Cooper, regarding his students. "I think it is one of the finest shows we have ever had. The quality of the livestock was superior and the attitude of the audience was exceptional."

Cooper, a twenty-two year veteran teacher at Spring Branch, was joined this year by first-year teacher, Ron Hibbard. Both men feel agriculture is an important and vital course in the Spring Branch curriculum for various reasons.

"Almost all these kids have land which they have inherited, and in order to utilize this land they take agriculture," Cooper said. Cooper expanded on the importance of agriculture. "The training students get in this program they can adapt to any job. They develop such skills as budgeting time, managing money, and working with people. They learn so much that is not agriculture. "The students tend to be very dedicated and serious about the things they learn and the work they do," Cooper continued. "My kids are probably the hardest working kids in the whole school." "These kids work as if they were really on a farm or ranch," injected Hibbard.

According to Cooper, the students learn responsibility, citizenship, cooperation, and leadership while gaining knowledge and experience. "We are the only group that teaches parliamentary procedures under strict parliamentary rules. Students also learn to make their own decisions. Can you think of another class that teaches students how to make decisions?" Cooper asked.

Although the students gain knowledge



that is not purely academic, education is the primary interest of agriculture. "Cooper and I both believe that education should be fun. You tend to learn more, rather than go to sleep," said Hibbard.

Being in FFA appears to be quite a social experience, as well as academic. The students seem to enjoy being involved in the program, as much as the teachers enjoy instructing it.

But like every other class, doesn't it eventually become monotonous? Cooper seems to disagree. "Every day in ag is a riot!" he exclaimed.

-Patti Flint

Allen Likes Ag

"My parents got me started riding early, and since then I've been an animal lover," said Kari Allen, junior FFA student. "I think that is the factor that got me started in FFA."

"My love of animals is going to be a real help in the future, because I plan to be a veterinarian," Kari continued.

In this year's FFA show, Kari won two awards: reserve champion steer and eighteenth place hog. The judges weighed her steer in at 985 pounds, and she received \$2,500 for it. Kari's hog weighed in at 229 pounds, and it sold for \$375. "Now that I have sold my animals, I spend most of my time with my horses," said Kari. "The other part of my free time is spent going out dancing." Kari competed in the Cy-Fair rodeo her freshman year. She also competed in two play-days, known as horse shows. The competition was at Valley Lodge play-day and 4JN. When Kari competes, she enters barrell racing.

Now in her junior year, Kari has received her Green Hand degree and Chapter Farmer degree which are on chapter level in the agriculture program. She has applied for her Lone Star Farmer degree which is state level.

-Michelle Evans

1. FFA members: Front row: Mr. John Cooper (advisor), Shelley Fisher, Dan Richardson, Julie Simmons, Andy Ericson, Garland Preston, Darrell Warhmund, Terrie Taylor, Steve Sharrar, D.J. Diprimio, Deborah Drastata, Debbie Toler, Mr. Ron Hibbard (advisor). Back row: Clinton Garner, David Nagy, Paula Dotson, Tama Smith, Cindy Garza, Gary Shearer, Kari Allen, Linda Dowdell, Bert Flores, Lisa Fuchs, Tammy Fogarty, Ricky Winn, Jeanette Griffin, Chris Cotner, Frank Radtke, Robert O'Reilly, Dennis Blevins, Richard Valigura, John Barry, Dan Callaway.
2. Officers: Front: Sec., Deborah Drastata; Reporter, Kari Allen; Treas., Cindy Garza; Back, Pres., Andy Ericson; Vice-Pres., Karl Wallace; Farm Manager, Robert Taylor; Sentinel, Dan Richardson.
3. Robert Taylor, Gary Shearer, Darrell Darnell, and Mark Butaud place 5th in Senior Farm Skills at a district competition held in November.
4. Jeanette Griffin, Tammy Fogarty, and Terri Taylor place 4th in Junior Farm Skills.
5. Kari Allen practices barrell racing at her ranch.
6. Kari Allen, junior.





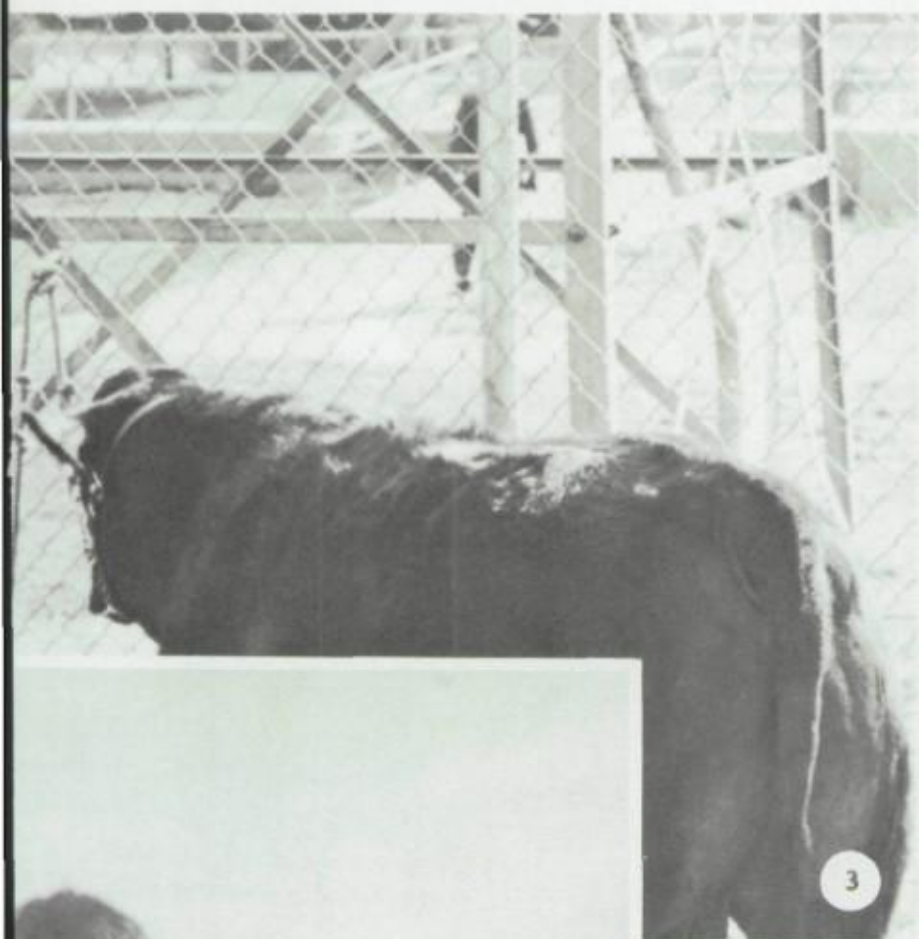
1. Sheri Franta and Robert Taylor enjoy dancing the two-step at the Ag dance in the VFW hall.
2. Robert Taylor moves piles of wood in order to build the new corral.
3. Deborah Drastata and her date do the Cotton-eyed Joe.
4. Lisa Fuchs, Jeanette Griffin, Allison Smidt, Cindy Garza, Chantel Radtke, Cynthia Fisher, Terri Taylor, and Bert Flores clean out the hog pens.
5. Mrs. Radtke and Scott Parrish acknowledge members of FFA who helped organize their dance.
6. Dawn Hurst poses with her lamb, Spunky.
7. Dan Richardson tries to walk his steer, White Lightning.
8. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper spend time with the students' parents.
9. Bridget Downey dances with a "little" friend.
10. Steve Gutledge dances with one of the Ag mothers, Mrs. Butaud.
11. Bert Flores holds his steer, Buford, while he gets his hooves trimmed.

12. Terri Peddy gets a friend to help her train her steer.



1. Chris Cotner and Dennis Blevins await the auction with their lambs.
2. Ag students load the animals for the livestock show.
3. Frank Radtke sprays show foam on his steer's coat.
4. After a good washing, Robert Taylor dries his steer.
5. Karl Wallace shows off his steer, Bear, after he prepares him for the auction.
6. Fred Stafford poses with a classy-looking steer.
7. Bert Flores exemplifies the busy day that Ag students have before the show starts.
8. David Eubanks and Sheri Franta pet Buster.
9. Darrell Darnell washes his hog, Misty.
10. The poultry judge explains placing to Ag members.
11. Denise Tester says goodbye to her steer, Zeb, before he is auctioned off.







Men Behind The Lines

A star athlete in high school, Gerald Ripkowski, head football coach of Spring Branch for the last ten years, has used his knowledge and skill as a football player to make Spring Branch one of the toughest teams in the district.

"There are a lot of pressures in coaching. A successful program is not always determined by the wins and losses," said Ripkowski, concerning his coaching career.

"The main thing is to convince a kid that what he's doing is worth it, and that mainly takes care of itself. You also have to have knowledge of the sport, be able to work with kids, and you have to like coaching."

It is obvious from talking with Coach Ripkowski that the boys on his teams mean more to him than any of them realize.

"If you can't feel kids, when they are hurt, when they are happy, what makes them tick, get another job," he said.

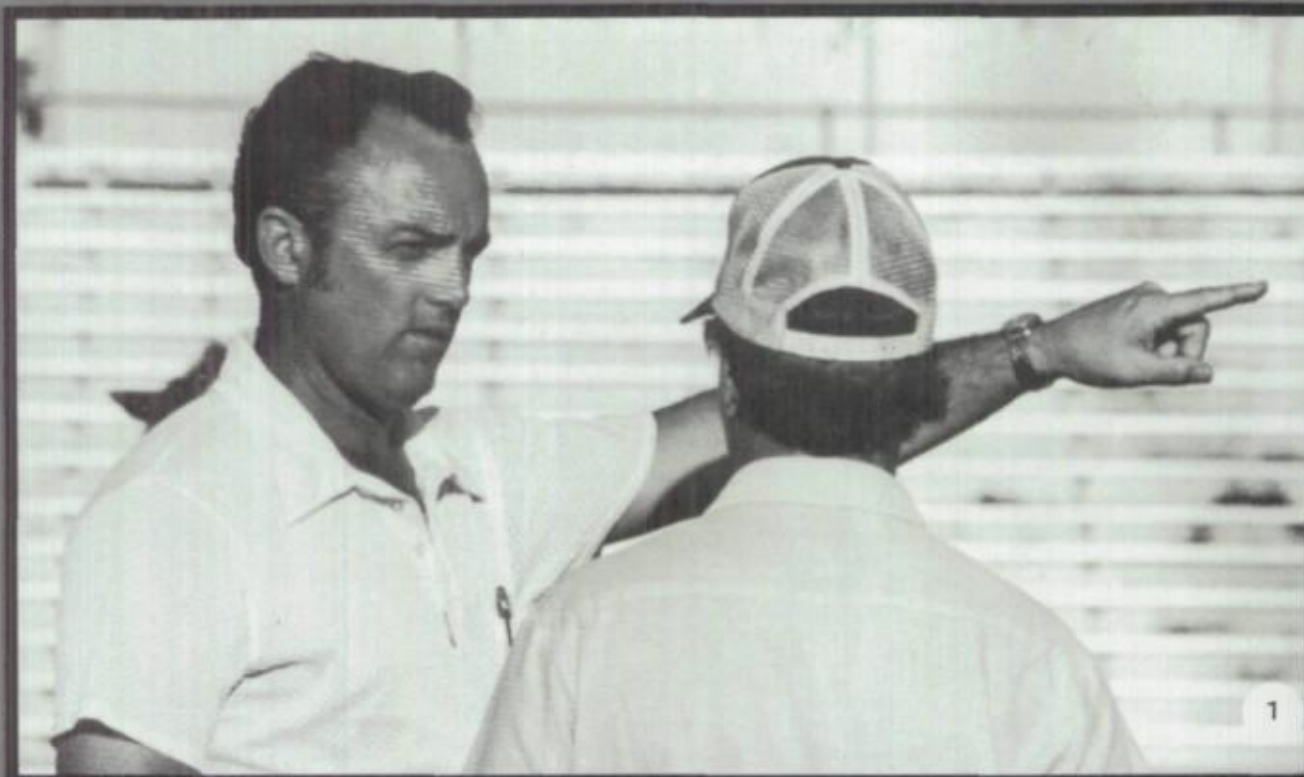
Coach Rip feels that athletics are an important part of the high school curriculum.

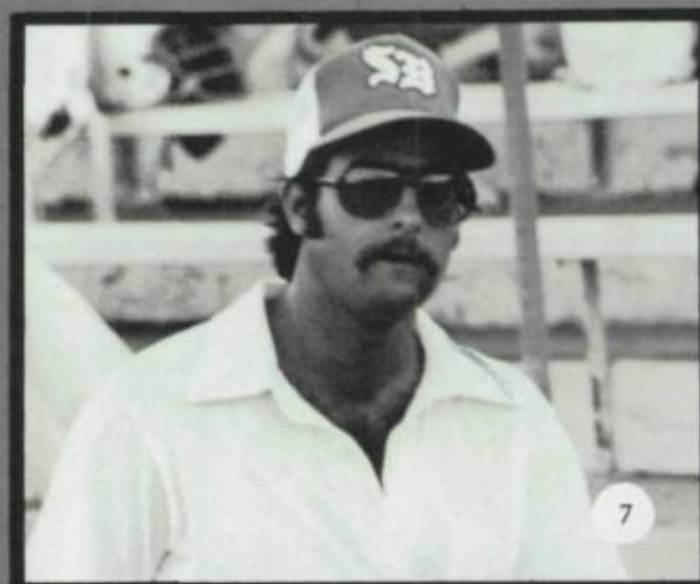
"Athletics teach one how to be a winner. They also teach one how to be part of a team. Things like pride, determination, team work and working towards a common goal are things you don't get in the classroom. I think those things are part of the game of life."

Ripkowski feels his son can sum up his philosophy of life.

"Ask my son what it is your dad always says, and he'll say: 'you're as good as you want to be and there's just no excuse for not trying.'"

-Patti Flint

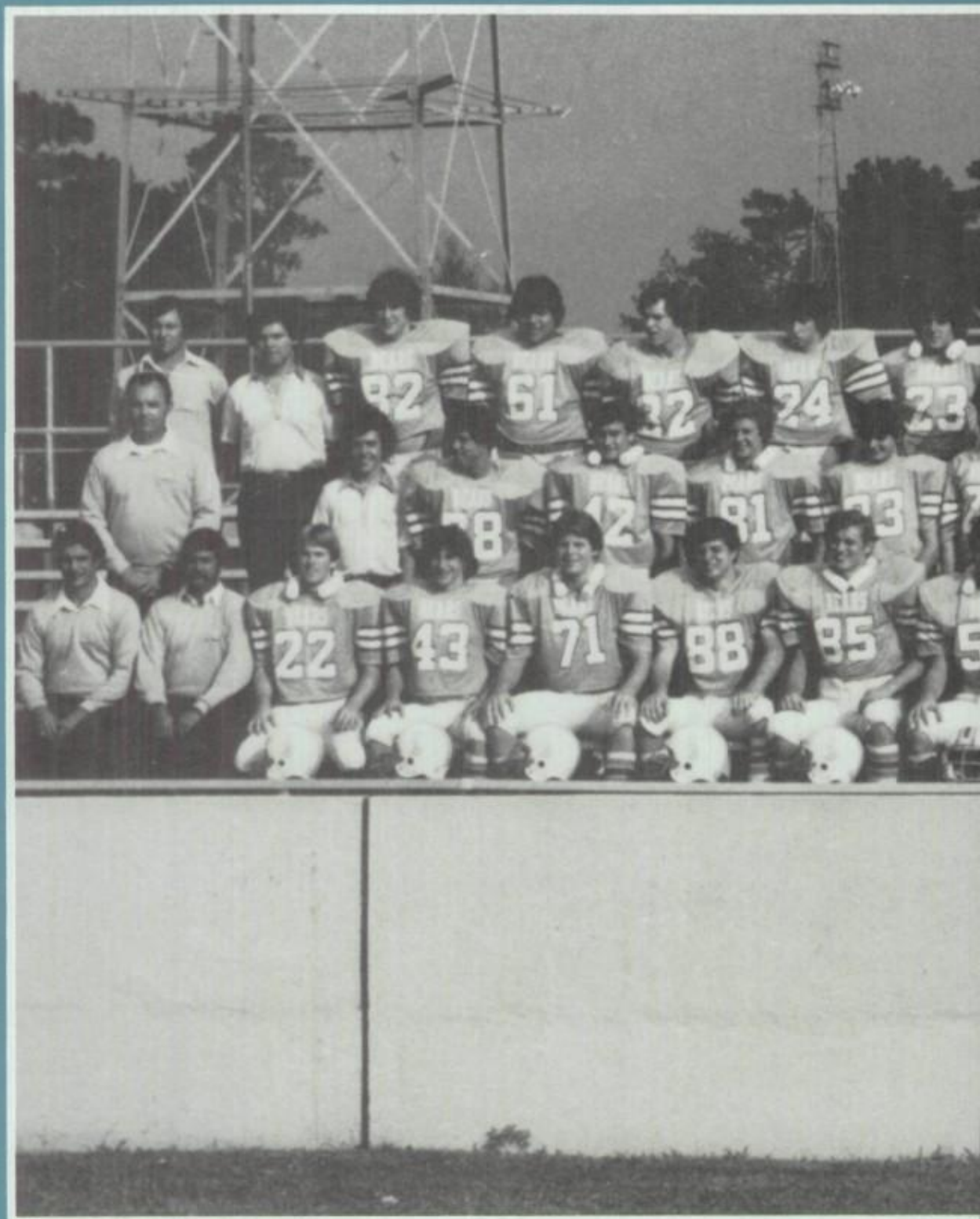




1. Varsity head coach Gerald Ripkowski points out a few instructions to a trainer at the La Porte scrimmage game. 2. Junior varsity coach Buster Key exclaims, "This is a job for gatorade!" 3. Freshman Coach Danny Jones checks his schedule for a daily after-school practice. 4. Dwayne Munos, junior varsity coach, watches the clock as the La Porte scrimmage ends. 5. Varsity coach Joe McDaniel tells a varsity player, "This is not a time to play superman." 6. Junior varsity Bear Lance Stanley tells Spring Branch trainers where it hurts. 7. "I didn't think anyone would recognize me in these dark glasses", exclaims sophomore coach Rick Prewitt. 8 Varsity trainers Doug Dunlap and John Lockard take time out during their busy schedule. 9. District trainer Randy Palmer helps an injured player off the field.

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Bottom row left to right- Coach Joe Yaccino, Coach Rick Prewitt, Gibb Jernigan, Charles Myers, Wayne Ross, Joel Dickens, Shannon Ripkowski, Glenn Williams, Kent Davidson, Raymond Mikeska, Craig Chappell, Jimmy Kutchback, Roland Perez, Kurt Juergens, Coach Buster Key. Second Row- Head Coach Gerald Ripkowski, Trainer John Lockard, Tony Mendizabal, Joe Prendki, David Schuller, Tim Beisert, Donny Eckhardt, John Lewis, Lon Davidek, Troy Fogarty, Brian Yolney, Lee Montz, Kyle Todd, Coach Ben Howe. Third Row- Coach Dwayne Munos, Trainer Ramon Hernandez, John Cooney, Gilbert Garza, Ron Dorman, Vance Hunt, Tim Wilkins, George Knapo, Paul Wells, Mark Johnson, Arthur Johnson, Marty Shofner, Charlie Stafford, Trainer Kenny Faris, Coach Joe McDaniel.



G. Ripkowski



B. Howe

1981



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Second Row-Brian Volney, Lee Montz, Kyle Todd, Coach Ben Howe, Third Row- Coach Dwayne Munos, Trainer Ramon Hernandez, John Cooney, Gilbert Garza, Ron Dorman, Vance Hunt, Tim Wilkins, George Knapo, Paul Wells, Mark Johnson, Arthur Johnson, Marty Shotner, Charlie Stafford, Trainer Kenny Faris, Coach Joe McDaniel.

J. McDaniel

J. Yaccino

Bears Snatch 'Brook

Bears went into the Northbrook game with a season record of 6-0 and 4-0 in district. The Bears remained the only undefeated, untied team on the west side as they beat the Northbrook Raiders 7-0 to capture their Homecoming win. Tailback Gibb Jernigan led the Bears with 111 yards on 29 carries. Quarterback John Lewis entered the game after Kyle Todd was injured and directed the Bears on a 54-yard, nine-play drive which set up the game's only score. PAT by Kurt Juergens was good. Lewis finished the game, throwing five times and completing three for 22 yards. A crucial 13-yard pass to wingback Charlie Myers set up the touchdown by Jernigan. The Raiders had several times to score, but the Bear defense intercepted two passes, one by linebacker Ron Dorman on the Bear 26, and the other by cornerback Charlie Myers on the Raider's 22. The Bear defense was led by Lon Davidek, Tim Wilkins, and Paul Wells.



Bears Whip Wildcats

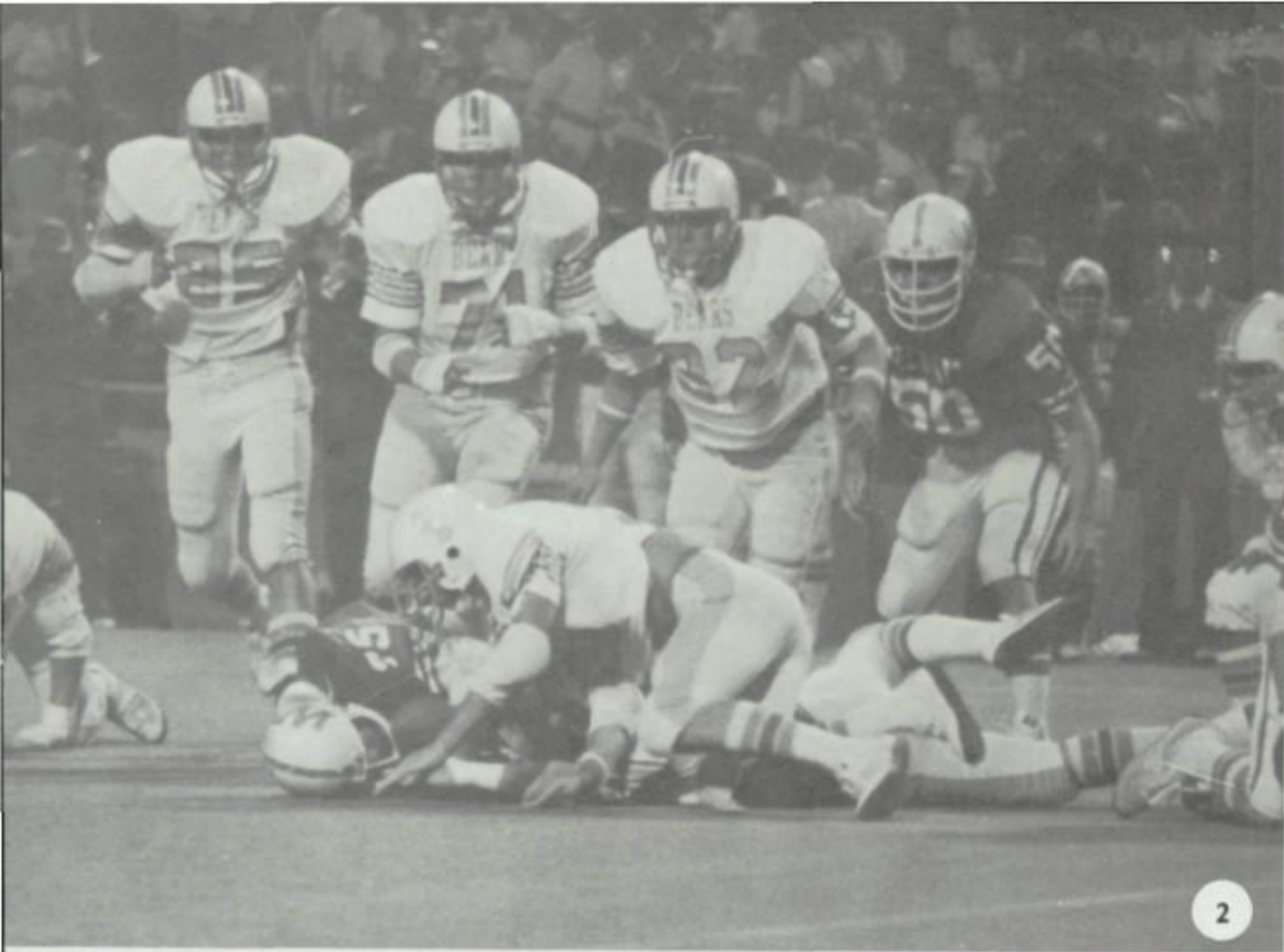
The undefeated Bears overcame five turnovers and a fourth quarter surge by Westchester to defeat the Wildcats 15-6, on Oct. 24. Spring Branch drove 63 yards on its second possession to score.

Gibb Jernigan picked up the touchdown on an 11-yard run, breaking three tackles along the way. Kurt Juergens passed to Jernigan for the two points, making the score 8-0. Westchester's field goal kicker attempted a 23-yard field goal when the ball hit the left upright and fell to the ground. The official standing underneath the goal signaled the kick good, but then reversed his decision. The Bears led at half, 8-6.

The Bears scored on their first possession of the second half when Quarterback Kyle Todd hooked up with split end Mark Johnson on a 53-yard scoring pass. The extra point by Kurt Juergens was good and gave the Bears a 15-6 lead.

The Wildcats had one more opportunity to score but fumbled it away as they tried a flea-flicker pass. Charlie Myers caused the fumble and Safety Tim Wilkins recovered for the Bears on the Wildcats' 46. The Bears held on to win. The win left the Bears at 7-0 on the season and 5-0 in district. Tailback Jernigan led the rushing with 99 yards while Kyle Todd passed for 107, hitting four for seven.

1. Varsity Bear, Gibb Jernigan, racks up some more yardage. 2. Three bad "Motor Scooters", Shannon Ripkowski, Wayne Ross, and Ron Dorman. 3. Lee Muntz struggles for extra yardage and gets it. 4. Have no fear John Lewis, Jimmy Kutchback is here. 5. Varsity Bear Quarterback Kyle Todd leads the line to victory. 6. Gibb Jernigan runs over and around some Wildcats.



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Bears Lose Title Chance

The Bears' title hopes were smashed by the Stratford Spartans when they defeated the Bears 16-15 Saturday, Nov. 8.

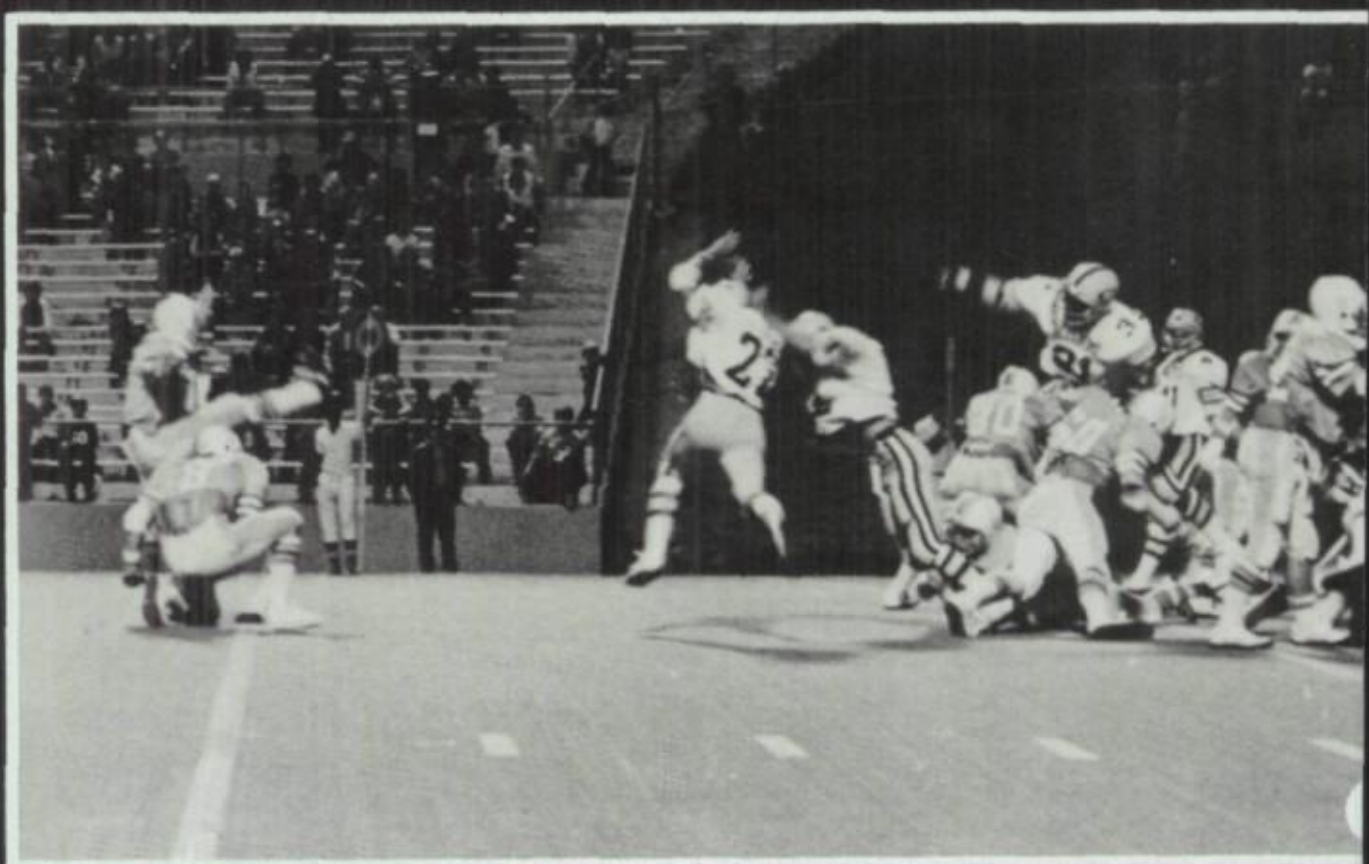
The Bears' leading rusher was Gibb Jernigan who had one hundred-and-eighteen yards which was a game high. Stratford scored first when bare-foot kicker Marty Jimmerson booted a forty-five yard field goal with 11:39 left in the first quarter. Jimmerson added another three points for the Spartans, by kicking a forty-seven yard field goal which made the score 6-0 midway through the second quarter.

The Bears struck on their next possession on a seventy-six yard drive with 5:32 left in the half. Tailback Gibb Jernigan collected forty-nine of the total yards as he bulled over from the four-yard line making the score 6-6; however, the extra point was no good.

With forty-three seconds left in the half, Jernigan topped an eighty-yard drive with an end-over-end completion from John Lewis. The conversion failed, giving the Bears a 12-6 halftime lead. Stratford scored again in the third quarter giving them a 13-12 lead. The Bears scored what seemed the winning points when kicker Kurt Juergens kicked a twenty-three yard field goal with 3:39 left to play. The Spartans then drove eighty yards for the game-winning kick by Marty Jimmerson.

Stratford-Spring Branch games was one of the most exciting games in the district. The loss may have put the Bears out of first, but they never lost their spirit and hopes, Kyle Todd, quarterback, said, "I was upset for a very long time, but I just kept my head up and went for Memorial."

1. Senior tight end Craig Chappell takes a break. 2. Shannon Ripkowski zeroes in on Memorial quarterback, Jay Iler. 3. Kicker Kurt Juergens makes a rare miss on an extra point during the Stratford game. 4. Quarterback Kyle Todd is carried off the field to the locker room after a minor injury. 5. Gilbert Garza and Joel Dickens apply pressure, causing Iler to throw off balance. 6. Spring Branch beats Memorial off the line of scrimmage.





Bears Take Third

The football season may not have wound up quite as well as most wanted, but the Bears had reason to be proud. Not only for the name Spring Branch but for the outstanding effort all the players put forth. Joe Prendki, defensive cornerback, said, "The only thing that beat us was the clock!"

Donny Eckhardt, who was injured most of the season and was not able to play against Stratford, commented, "I had all the faith in the world in every one of the players. Donny also noted, "The main reason for the success of the team was we had a lot of love and respect for each other."

After the Stratford defeat, the Bears had one game left with their rivals from Memorial. The Bears looked down after losing the district title as they lost to the Mustangs 31-15. The Mustangs took a 24-0 halftime lead. But the Bears came back to score fifteen points in the third and fourth quarters but still lost 31-15. Even though the Bears lost their last two games, the Bears ended up with a record of 8-2 for the season and third place in district. "We did a good job this year, and we're still the best in district!" said Joe Prendki.

-Marianne Wainwright-



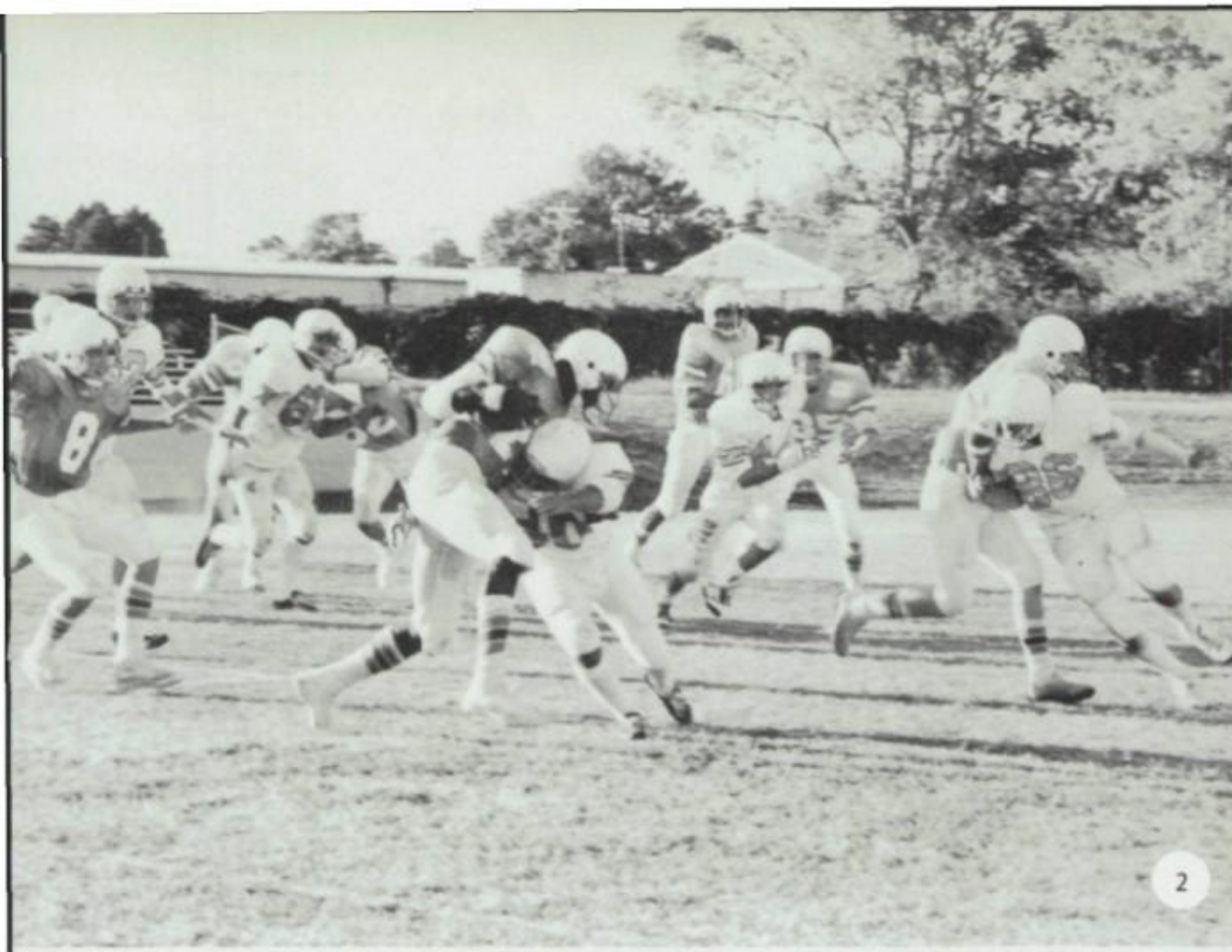
JV Takes District



1. Junior Varsity: Front (left to right) Andy Gillis, William Hight, Larry Gonzales, Scott Shearer, Mark Perez, Robert Wiedeman, Mark Goodman, Ken Coble. Second row: Terry Anderson, Bryan Mendizabal, Mike Schottle, Steve Candilari, Clarence Mehaffey, James Jordon, Darron Collins. Third row: Coach Buster Key, Phillip Lang, Warren Parker, Darryl Fecteau, George Holewayne, John Senneff, Bret Austin, Marvin Allcorn, Coach Dwayne Munos. Back row: David Hadley, Kevin Meine, Brian Drain, Lance Stanley, Ferlis Ellis, Mark Claraco, Jerold Fisher, Mike Rayburn, Darrell Jensen.

2. "Look out Aaron!" exclaims Darron Collins.
3. It takes two rams to handle a whopper.
4. Coach Buster Key is head J.V. coach.
5. Coach Dwayne Munos is assistant J.V. coach.
6. Ferlis Ellis, Lance Stanley, and Bryan Mendizabal observe the Alief game from the sidelines.
7. Mike Rayburn barrels through Alief's arms.





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'Uncle Bustie', Munos Lead JV To District

Junior Varsity football team swept the district title closing the season with an 8-2 record. According to coaches, JV not only won district but had one of the best offenses in the district.

Lance Stanley, defensive tackle, attributed the excellent record to the fact that "everyone acted like brothers." "Even the coaches were like one of the guys," continued Stanley.

According to Coach Buster Key, whom the players called "Uncle Bustie," The team won district because they were such hard workers."

Many of the players felt a special relationship with Coach Key and Coach Dwayne Munos.

Along with excellent rapport among coaches and team members, other emotional high points of the season were the Stratford and Memorial games.

According to Quarterback Darron Collins, next season will be just as exciting.

"We'll be first in district next year, too. There is no way we can lose.

Marianne Wainwright



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1980 Sophomore Football

S.B.	0	Baytown Lee	0
S.B.	12	Pasadena	21
S.B.	13	Sp. Woods	0
S.B.	14	Northbrook	8
S.B.	22	Hastings	19
S.B.	35	Katy	3
S.B.	7	Westchester	6
S.B.	21	Elisk	14
S.B.	17	Stratford	9
S.B.	26	Memorial	14



"Mad Dogs" Take First

The sophomore football team finished its season with an 8-1-1 record. The young Bears got off to a slow start tying Baytown Lee 0-0 and then losing to Pasadena 12-17.

After the Pasadena loss, Coaches Prewitt and Munos made a few changes, and the sophomores came up with an offense and defense that went undefeated in district play to claim the district championship for Spring Branch.

The 1980 Sophomore Bears were not a team made up of a few stars. Instead it was a team of twenty-seven young men who all had the guts, courage, and determination it takes to be Champions.

Many times throughout the season the young Bears found themselves with their backs to the wall, but always found what it takes inside to rise to the occasion and emerge victorious. When the offense was not moving the ball, the "Mad Dog" defense, lead by Terry Kearns, Robby Dobbs, Jimmy Gann, and Mark Turner, would stop their opponents and keep them from scoring. When the defense had leaks in it, the offense, lead by the passing of Jimmy Bush and the great running abilities of Mark Butaud, Matt Cooney, and Michael Daniels, would find an extra bit of Spring Branch Pride and outscore their opposition. All of these young men have a great future in football at Spring Branch High.

1. 1980 Sophomore Football Team: Bottom row - Ron Tedder, Barry Stone, Robby Dobbs, Michael Daniels, Matt Cooney, Jeff Hoiden, Tim Meador, Steve Urguhart. Middle Row- Coach Rick Prewitt, France Aguirre, Thad Swiderski, Kelly Cunningham, Mark Butaud, Doug Kinsbury, Dwayne Ready, Rick Pollock, Mike Pollock, Buddy Hedding. Top Row- Fred Brown, Bill Duckworth, Danny Saenz, Donny Poston, Jay Winslow, Jimmy Bush, Mark Turner, Terry Kearns. 2. Punt return specialist Michael Daniels gets good field position for the Bears against Stratford. 3. Tight end Robby Dobbs breaks for a tackle for a long gain. 4. Coach of the 1980 District Champs- Coach Rick Prewitt. 5. "A Coach's work is never done," Coach Rick Prewitt exclaims.



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1. Top Row- Head Coach Dan Jones and Assistant coach Wayne Tedder. Second Row- Sean Langham, Anthony Foreman, Blaine Fabre, Craig Becker, Eric Lane. Middle Row- Bernardo Lugo, John Boyd, Anthony Fernandez, Robert Love, Leonard Hawthorne, Larry Newman. Bottom Row- Ervey Anguiano, David Cecil, Dennis Blevins.
2. Joe Garza, Loyd Chinn, Robbie Keowan, and Richard Bench, all gang up on a Memorial Mustang, in the last game of the season.
3. Joe Garza puts forth effort to stop the Memorial runner.
4. Becky O'Reilly and Monte Smith discuss the freshman football season.
5. Freshman head coach Danny Jones.
6. Freshman assistant coach Wayne Tedder.





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The freshman season may not have started out with a bang, but the team put on a fine show at the end. Winning 4 out of their last 6 games, the "A" team came in fourth in district. The "B" team, however, didn't win any games but put in a good effort. Richard Bench, quarterback of the "A" team, said, "The season wasn't a disappointment. We did all right, but we never got used to working together." Richard said, "I look for a strong team in future years."

Coach Dan Jones, freshman football coach, pointed out that the 1980-81 team had strong players. "Richard Bench was a good quarterback," Jones said. Other strong players mentioned by Jones were Monte Smith at running back, Tom Fuller at center, Rodney Brinkley and Jerry Zabawa, playing guards, and Frank Gay, tight end.



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Cross

Country



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All cross country track teams finished the season high this year. Varsity cross country team placed second; junior varsity placed second and freshman team placed first.

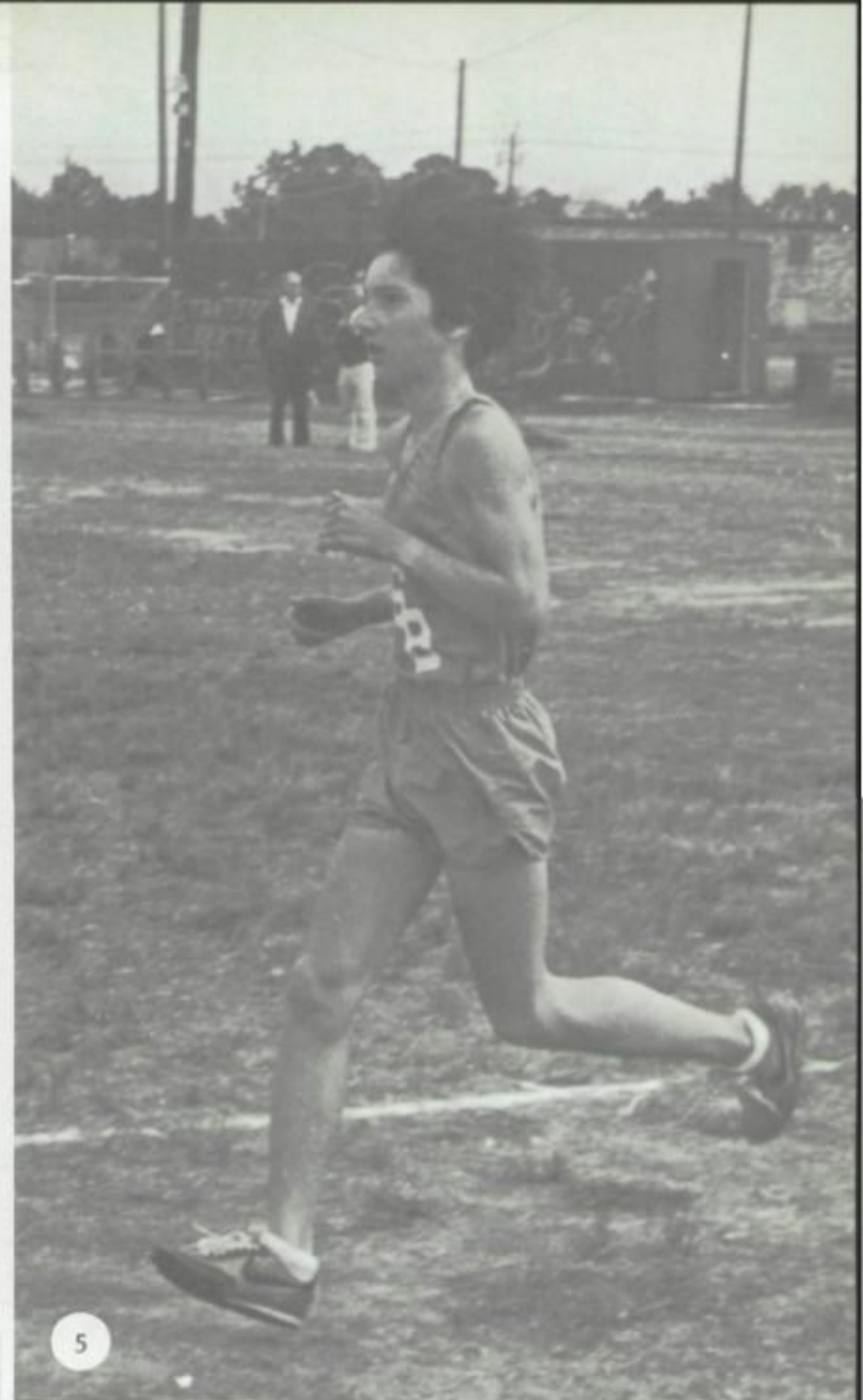
"It's not an everyday job. A runner must prepare and condition himself for a long distance run," he said.

Training for cross country, runners run several miles everyday. According to most team members, they must condition their bodies in the summer for the fall season. Most runners average as much as 70 miles per week.

"The outstanding season was attributed to the teams' attitude and striving to improve each week," remarked Jones. The team consisted of 40 members, 15 of whom were freshmen. Some of the top performers on the cross country team were Danny Dazey, sophomore; Duane Robinson, junior; Leroy Escamilla, junior; Steve Bunch, senior; Steve Urquhart, sophomore; Vince Candelari, senior; and Andrew Weido, sophomore.

In district, outstanding finishing times came from Danny Dazey with 16:11 in the three-mile run, Robert Clay running a 16:52 in three miles; and Joe Garza with a time of 11:12 in the two-mile run.





1. Danny Dazey leans near the finish line. 2. Sophomore Robert Clay gasps as he reaches the end. 3. Sophomore Steve Urquhart puts the move on a fellow opponent. 4. Sophomore Jeff Wooten gives it all he's worth as he passes a Spring Woods' runner. 5. Sophomore Peter Jensen strains as he nears the finish. 6. State-ranked Danny Dazey relaxes with an ice cold Nutriment. 7. Sophomore Danny Dazey sets a winning pace in the district meet.





See How They Run . . .

The Spring Branch cross country track team started the season with an upbeat by placing fourth in the Conroe meet, and second in the Pasadena meet.

At two UH invitationals, the girls placed fourth and then third at the second meet. The team followed with three third place finishes. At the district meet held at Bear Creek Park on Oct. 31, the lady Bears won third place honors and an invitation to the regional meet.

The girls' cross country team placed fifth at the meet held at San Jacinto Junior College, Nov. 8.

The girls, who had hoped to go to state this year, discussed their training program.

Most team members admitted starting their day by running from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. Debbie Ellison added six miles of running each night to her schedule. Joanie Ferguson ran six miles on Saturdays and five miles on Sundays. Shawn Hudgins adopted a special diet on days of meets. "I have fruit for breakfast and salad for lunch," she said.

1. 1980-81 Girls' Cross Country Track Team—left to right, bottom row: Alane Kappus, Joanie Ferguson, Shawn Hudgins, Beth Arlington, Kris Paschal, Ruth Kappus, Pam Foyt, Julie Tally, Candy Bostock, Vickie Beale, Janice King, coach. 2. Girls' track coach is Janice King. 3. Sophomore Ruth Kappus strives to beat an Alief-Hastings' runner. 4. Senior Vickie Beale concentrates on winning that trophy. 5. Alane Kappus, senior, wonders when she's going to reach the finish line. 6. Junior Debbie Ellison keeps on trackin' as the race goes on. 7. Candy Bostock, junior, discusses the tough competition with her mom.





Tracksters Take 2nd



Boys Varsity Track Team: Back row-Wayne Compton, Steve Bunch, Thomas Urquhart. Fifth row-Tim Beisert, Vince Candelari, Steve Urquhart, Dwayne Robinson. Fourth row-Mark Johnson, Steve Candelari, George Rose, Robert Clay. Third row-Maan Hashem, Chris Taylor, Leroy Escamilla, Andrew Weido. Second row-Coach Danny Jones, Gary Simmoris, Mike Daniels, Ian Mills, Coach John Yaccino. First row-Larry Newman, Melanie McDonald.

The Spring Branch Boys Varsity Track Team took second place at the district meet in April. Four Bear tracksters qualified for regionals: Ian Mills, 400 meters; Duane Robinson, 1600 meters; Chris Taylor, pole-vault; Tom Urquhart, long jump.

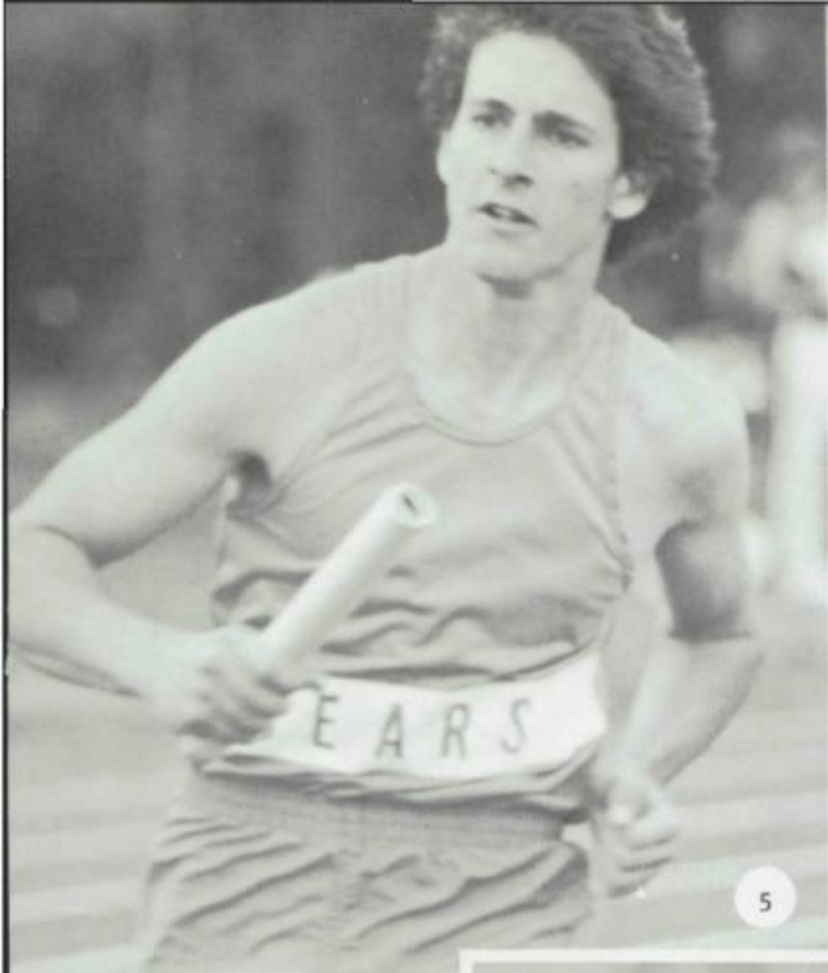
The strong district showing capped one of Spring Branch's more successful seasons. Twenty-five teams competed in the Memorial Booster Club Relays. Led by three record-shattering performances in the 3200 meter relay, 3200 meter run and 1600 meter run, the Bears grabbed the third place trophy. Danny Dazey continued to burn up the cinders with 9:48.1 and 4:26.8 clockings in the 3200 meter and 1600 meter runs respectively. Both times were good enough for second place finishes. Chris Taylor's 14'0" vault bested all competition in the pole vault.

First place finishes by the Bears' 400 meter, 1600 meter and 3200 meter relay teams paved the way for a first place finish at the Katy Relays. Participating on the relay teams were Daniels, Candelari, Jernigan, Mills, Dazey, Robinson, Bunch and Johnson. Other first place ribbons in the meet went to Andrew Weido, 3200 meter run; Chris Taylor, pole vault; Ian Mills, 100 meter dash; Ian Mills was named the meet's most outstanding performer.

The team finished second in a field of 16 strong schools at the Alief Relays in March. Although first place finishes were scarce, the Bears finished consistently in the top four in most events to take the team Blue Ribbon. For the third straight week, Danny Dazey broke his own Spring Branch record in the 1600 meter run with a time of 4:29.9. Dazey also participated on the record-setting distance medley team that managed a first place finish. Escamilla, Johnson and Robinson were the other team members.



Making Tracks



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1. Ian Mills takes off on a dead sprint on the final leg of the mile relay. 2. Hat worn by varsity tracksters. 3. Lee Montz clears 12'6" with ease. 4. Jimmy Bush takes a leap. 5. On the third leg of the mile relay, Steve Candelari starts his kick on the back stretch. 6. Dwayne Robinson anchors the lengthy two-mile relay. 7. Ian Mills gives it all he has got in the 400 meters.



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And They're Off



1. Mike Daniels starts off the spring relay for the varsity. 2. Steve Candelari is given a tough race by a Westchester sprinter. 3. "Ian Mills, Spring branch," gasps Mills after running the 100 meter dash. 4. George Rose finishes neck-in-neck as he anchors the sprint relay. 5. Ronnie Zamarano prepares for the "110" hurdles behind the starting blocks. 6. "Hand," Vince Candelari exclaims to Mark during an exchange in the 1600 meter relay.





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After six years of pole vaulting, senior Chris Taylor has cleared 14 feet to set a new record.

"To be really good you have to believe you are never good enough. You have to keep on trying," said Chris after one of his jumps.

"When the pole straightens out, it is like a big spring that sweeps you into the air. You feel like you are floating, and it is great when you land on the mat, and you can see the cross bar still there."

According to Chris, pole vaulting depends largely on concentration. Chris agreed that being quick and coordinated were important traits.

"When I go down the runway, I don't hear a thing," smiled Chris. "You really have to put the rest of the world out of your mind."

Encouraged by his parents, Chris got into track in second grade. At the age of thirteen, he participated in Junior Olympics and won the gold medal in the 50 and 100 yard dash.

Chris chose Bruce Jenner as his idol.

"Jenner is more than just the all-American athlete. I know what it is like to specialize in one event, and Jenner has excelled in ten," Chris remarked.

Chris enjoys other sports such as water and snow skiing, flying, and sailing.

Chris hopes to go to Rice University next year to continue his studies in science and aerospace.

Gina Chesser

Varsity Girls Have Strong Season

"In order for a team to do well in competition, they must be able to get along and compete with others on the team as well as on other teams. They must have a positive attitude about everything they do, and be willing to work hard and long hours to do well", stated Miss Janice King, girls' track coach. According to King, the greatest attributes for runners are quick responses. "Under my direction, students mature and learn the limits of their bodies," said Miss King.

When asked why she likes being a track coach Miss King said, "I like being around athletes and seeing them live up to their potential." Miss King was assistant track coach at Memorial for two years. Miss King has been at Spring Branch for four years as track coach.

Outstanding team runners are: seniors: Lisa Huddleston, Lisa Evans, Vicki Beale, and Veda Montalbano, juniors: Candy Bostock, sophomores: Kim Cutsinger and freshmen: Laura Wainwright, and Lisa Holewyne.

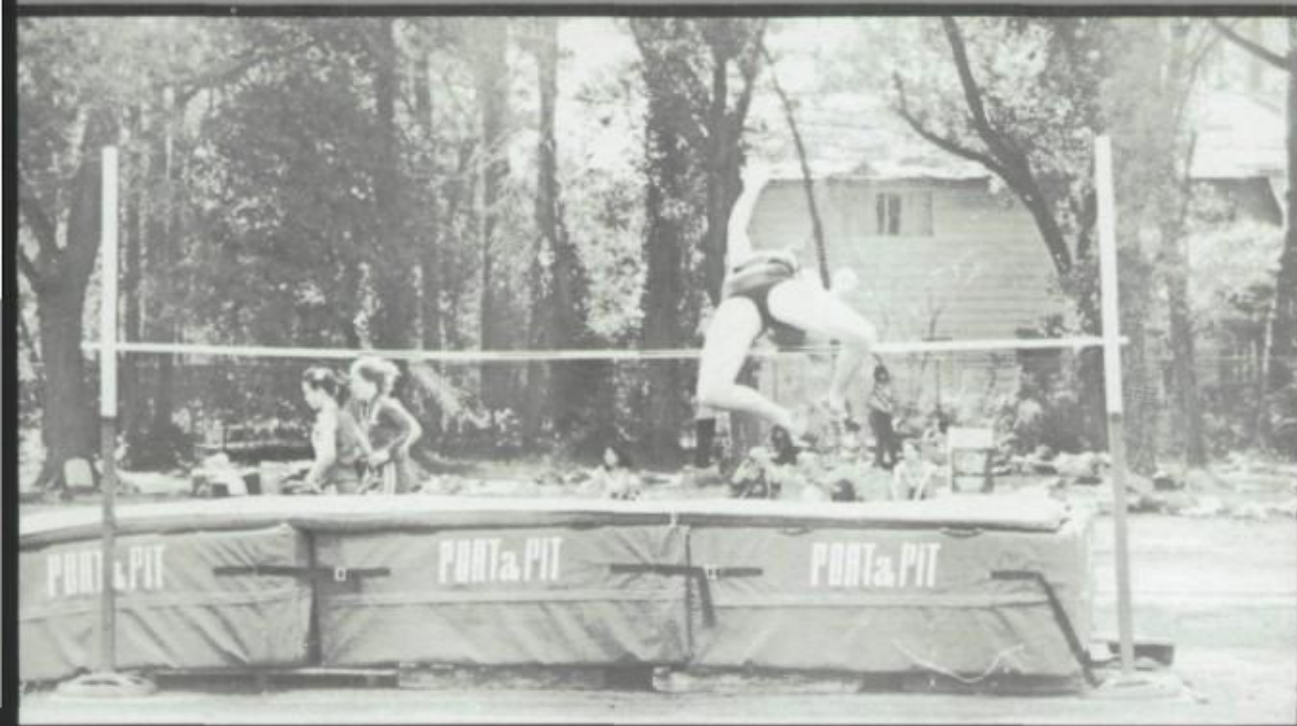
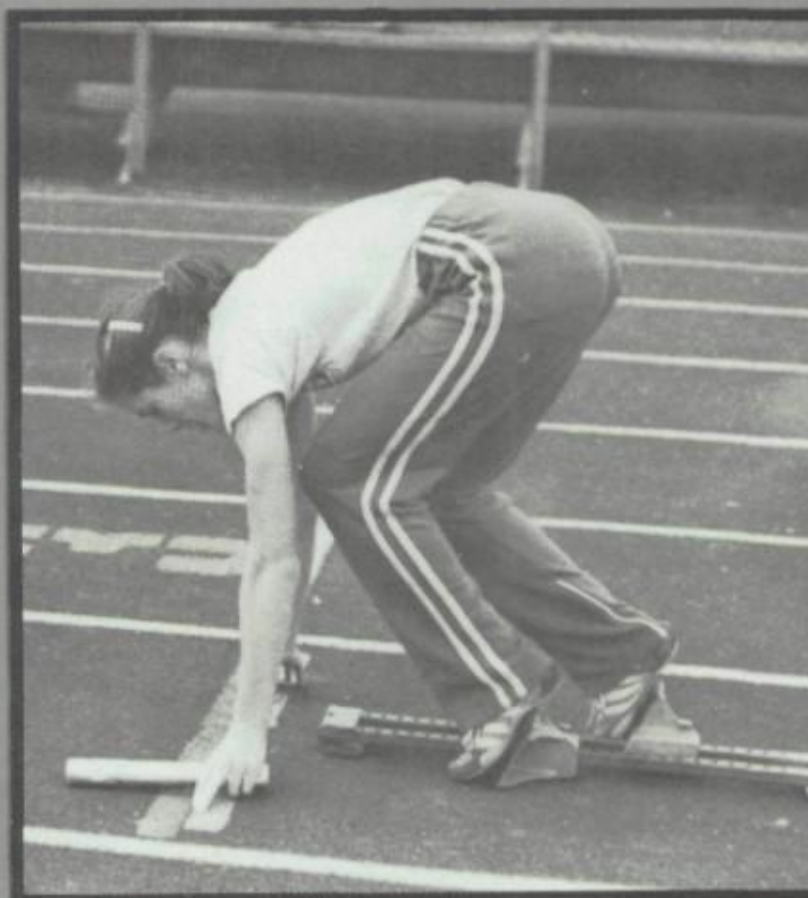
This year the track team had six meets

plus district, regionals and state meets. "We bombed the first meet with Memorial," stated King. The Bears did fairly well, placing sixth overall. Next, the girls traveled to the North Forest Relays. They came in fourth place overall with freshman Beth Arlington getting a first place in the two mile run, senior Lisa Evans getting a second in the 100 meter hurdles, and the mile relay team getting third. The team then travelled to Conroe on March 13 and came away with a first place out of fourteen teams. Senior Lisa Huddleston got a first place in the Long Jump. Other first place winners were the 400 meter Relay teams, and Lisa Huddleston in the 200 meter dash. During spring break, the girls continued to work hard and brought back a first place from the Cy-Fair meet on March 21, and the Port Lavaca meet on March 28. A highlight of the Cy-Fair meet was setting of a new state record by Lisa Evans in the hurdles with a time of 13.8 seconds. Other first places were Kim Cutsinger in the high jump, and the 800 meter and 1600 meter relay teams.

At the Port Lavaca meet, outstanding runners were Lisa Evans, Kim Cut-

singer, and Lisa Huddleston. The final meet before district was the Spring Invitational Relay on April 4, in which the girls walked away once more with a first place overall. District began on April 8, at Memorial High School with the field events and the prelims for the running events. In field events, Lisa Huddleston got third in the long jump, Pat Bayley got third in the triple jump and Kim Cutsinger and Nancy Hiltzman got fourth and sixth in the high jump. The 400 meter relay team, consisting of Michelle Tyler, Veda Montalbano, Charlotte Boutte, and Carla Walker, got the second place ribbon, while the 800 meter relay, consisting of Lisa Huddleston, Carla Walker, Lisa Evans, and Kim Cutsinger got first place. Lisa Evans again won first place in the hurdles and Lisa Huddleston got second in the 200 meter dash. The girls got second place in district and some went on to Regionals which was held at San Jacinto College. Lisa Evans went on to State in Austin for the hurdles, but unfortunately jumped the official's gun and was disqualified.





1. Sophomore Carla Walker shows how excited she was after winning a race at the Memorial Booster Club relays.
2. Sophomore Ruth Kappus and senior Vicki Beale wait at the starting line for their race to begin.
3. Senior Lisa Huddleston warms-up for the upcoming race.
4. 1st Row- Vicki Beale, Lisa Evans, Alane Kappus, Ruth Kappus, Icanie Ferguson, Charollette Boudie, Beth Arlington, Laura Wainright, Carla Walker. 2nd row- Kim Crude, Candy Bostock, Lisa Phillips, Lisa Huddleston, Julie Tally, Pat Bayley, Lisa Holewyne, Veda Montabano. 3rd row- Raymond Hernandez, Karen Fennel, Pam Foyt, Angie Jones, Jeanna Zapalac, Tami Cut-singer, Sonya Don, Chris Paschal, Shawn Hud-quist, Janie Manford, Trudy Bostock, Kellee Hil-terman, Miss Janie King, coach.

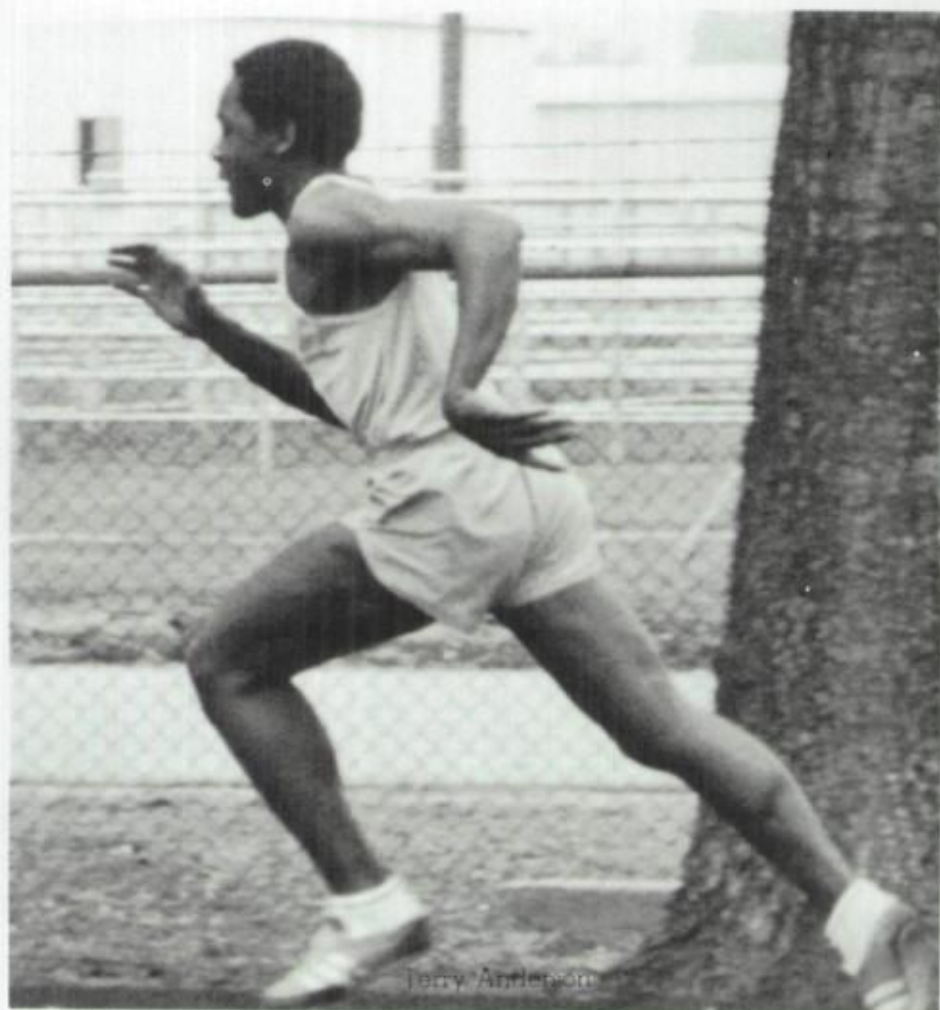
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Frosh Run In The Right Direction

Darrin Ellis



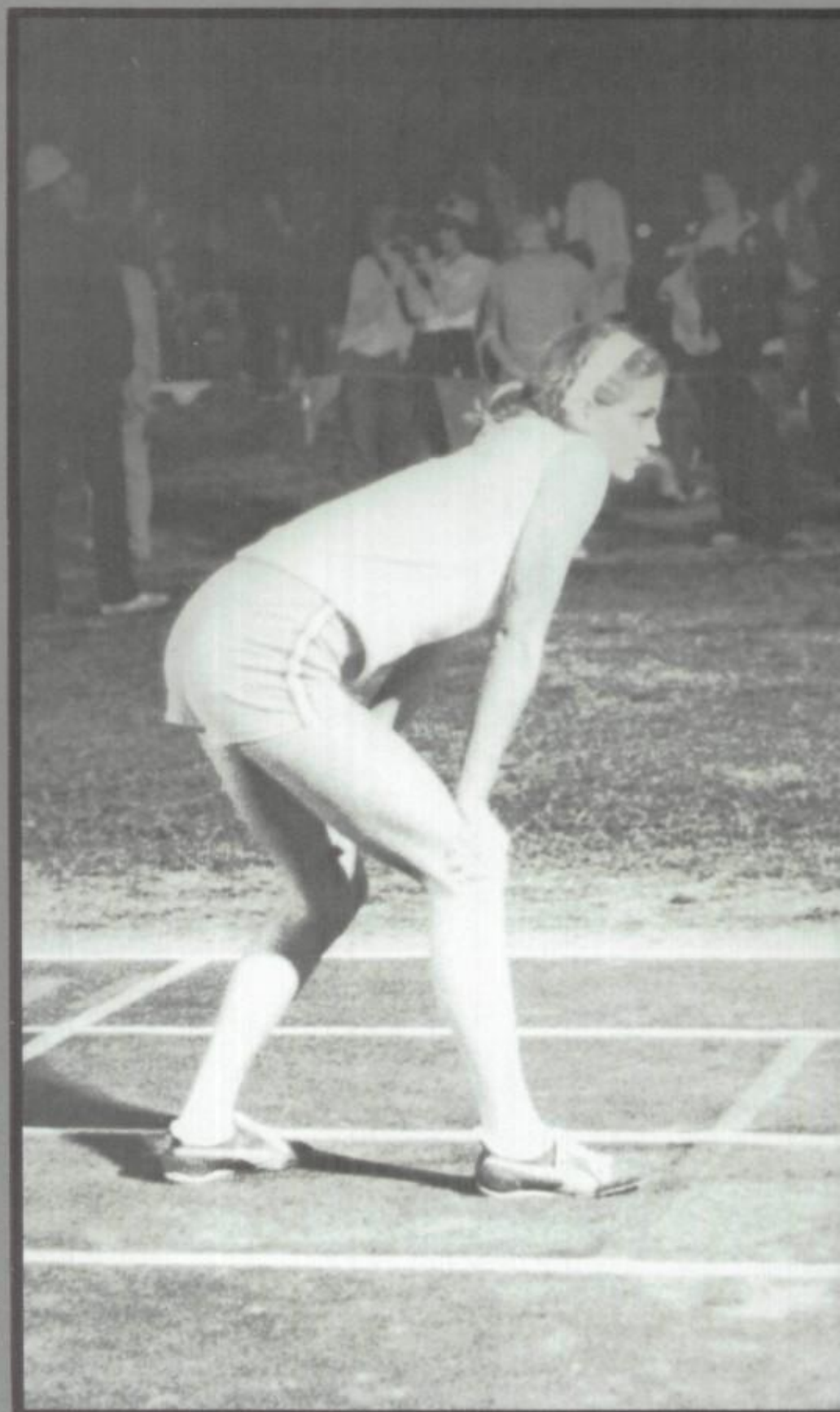
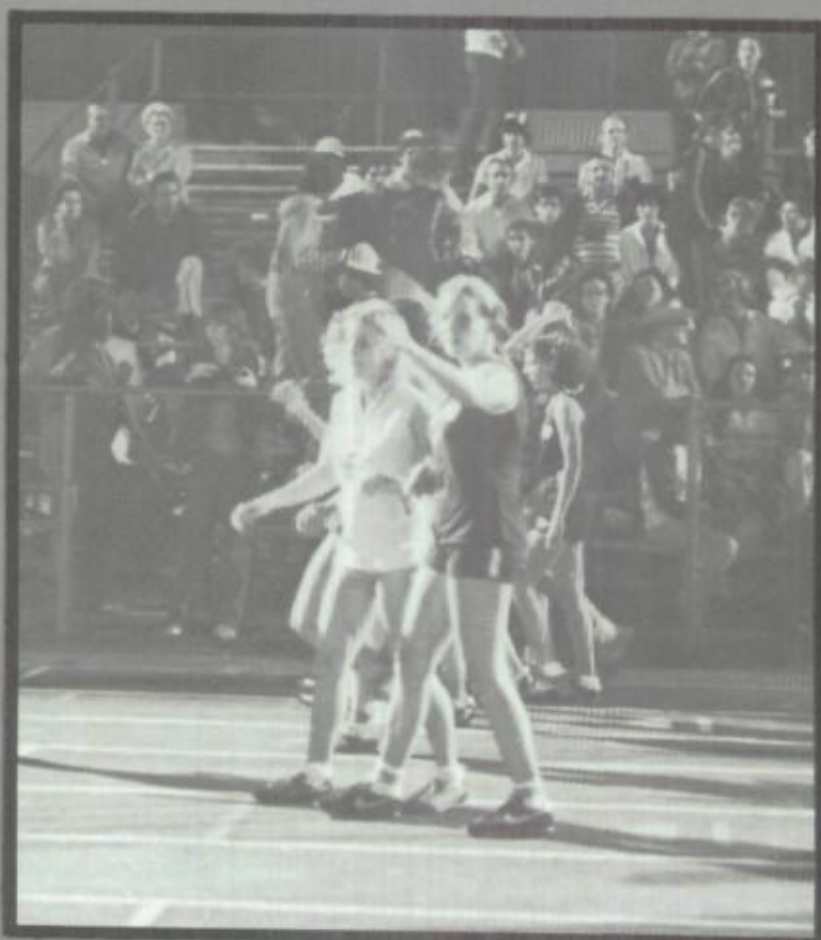
In the 1981 season, the freshman track team, led by Coach Danny Jones, brought in an astounding ranking of first in district. This is the 2nd year in a row that the freshmen have won this honor. Their toughest opponent this year was Westchester. Coach Jones hopes to repeat his freshmen's district winning performance next year. Outstanding runners mentioned by Jones were Robert Love, Richard Bench, Darren Ellis, and Joe Garza.



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District Champs

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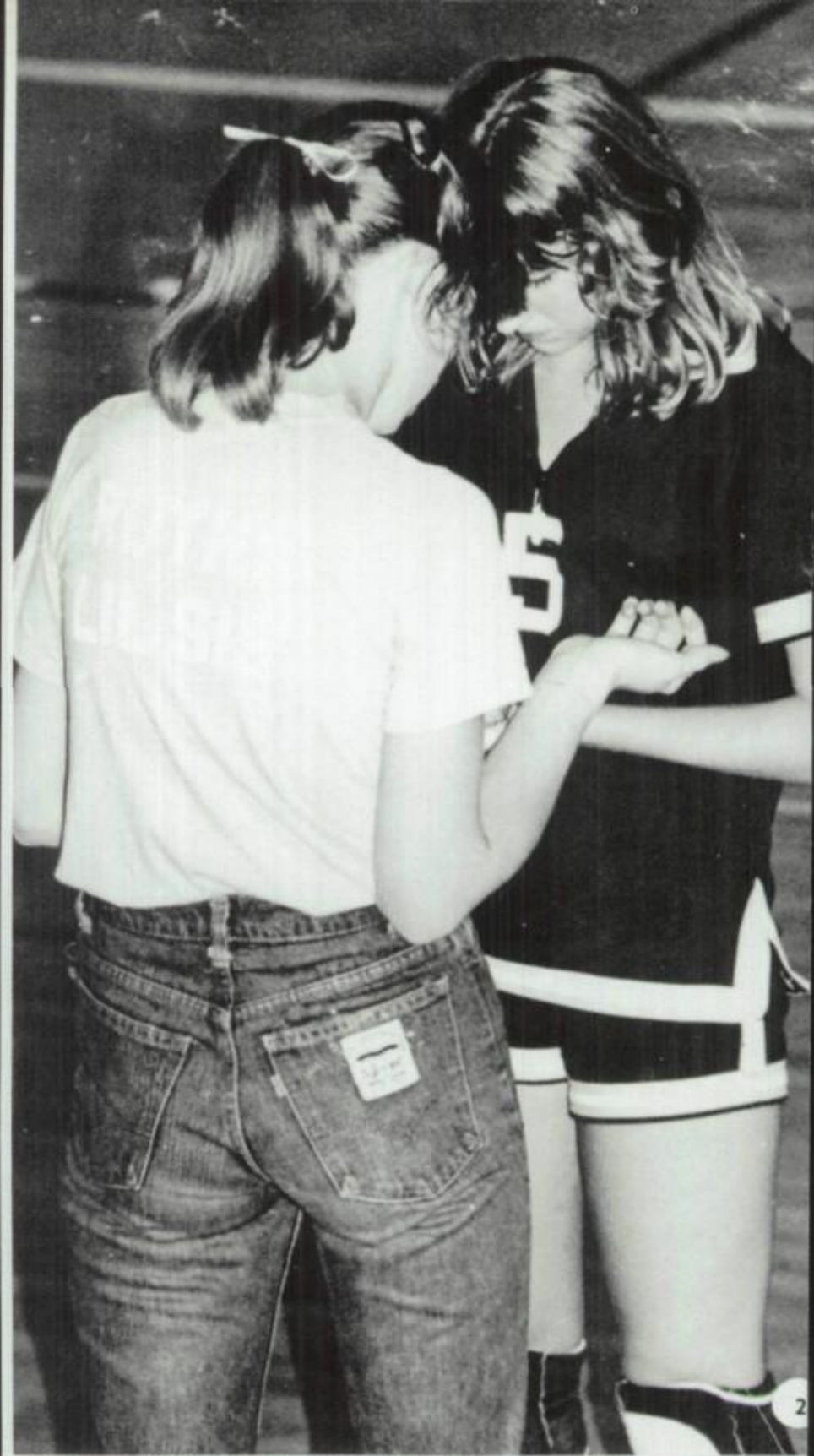
J.V. Track Takes Second

The Girls J.V. track team had a winning season this year. With the help of Coach Deborah Trebotitch, Miss Janice King, coach, took the girls to numerous track meets where they brought home enough wins to take second in district. At the Conroe meet on March 13, the girls came in third place out of fourteen teams. Outstanding girls were Lisa Holewynne, who got second in both the long and high jumps. She also placed first in the 400 meter dash. Lisa Phillips got first place in the discus throw and third place in the shot. Kim Cude won first place in the shot, and Angie Jones got second in the 200 meter dash. The 400 meter relay team won a third place ribbon in competition this year.

Outstanding girls at the district meet were Betsy Smith and Kim Cude in the shot. The 400 meter relay team, consisting of Angie Joens, Kim Tyler, Tami Cutsinger and Jennifer Gordon was also outstanding. Julie Talley won in the 3200 meter run. The 800 meter relay team consisted of Sonya Don, Angie Jones, Tami Cutsinger and Kim Tyler. Angie Jones participated in the 200 meter dash, and Shawn Hudgins in the 1600 meter run.

1. Junior Shawn Hudgins gets ready for the race. 2. Junior Carlotta Knapo (the GREAT) gets ready for her big race. 3. Mr. Starter explains to the J.V. how the race is going to be run. 4. Vicki Beale, Lisa Evans, Alane Kappus, Ruth Kappus, Joanie Ferguson, Charolette Boutte, Beth Arlington, Laura Wainright, Carla Walker, Kim Cude, Candy Bostock, Lisa Phillips, Lisa Huddleston, Julie Tally, Pat Bayley, Lisa Holewynne, Veda Montabano, Raymond Hernandez, Karen Fennel, Pam Foyt, Angie Jones, Joanna Zapalac, Tami Cutsinger, Sonya Don, Chris Paschal, Shawn Hudgins, Janie Manford, Trudy Bostock, Kellee Hilterman, Miss Janice King, coach.





Lady Bears Go Under The Net



Under the leadership of Head Coach, Annette Romero, the Spring Branch Varsity Girls' Volleyball Team completed its season with 3 wins and 13 losses.

The record is not important, according to Coach Romero, who commented that her team was in a building process.

There were three new coaches this year working with all three teams. "They're good coaches. They put a lot of pressure on the girls," commented Jennifer Reinhardt, senior. "They show us instead of tell us," added Laura Hoppe, junior.

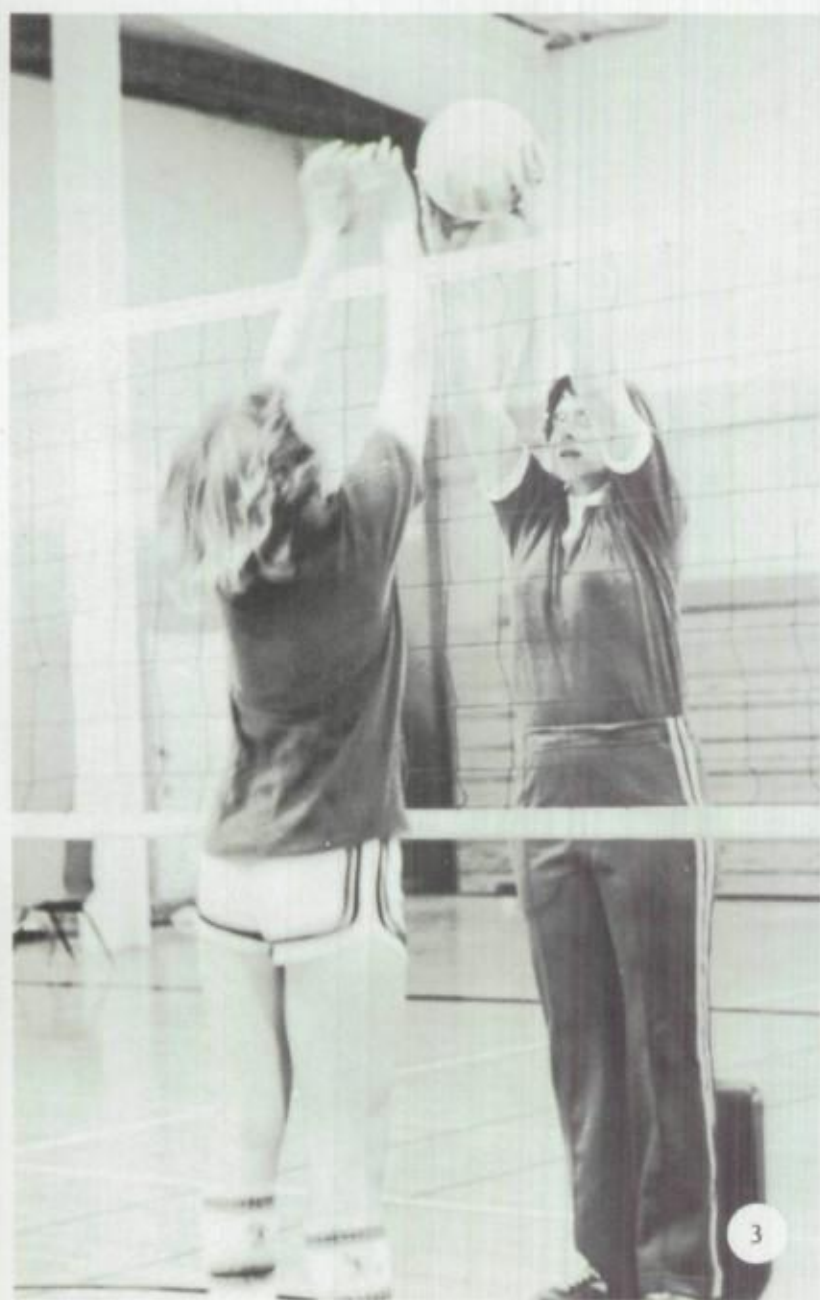
"We had a few problems in getting together, but towards the end we worked it out," said a varsity player. There were 4 seniors, 5 juniors and 1 sophomore on this year's team.



1. Girls' Varsity Coach, Annette Romero, is new this year. 2. "Ruth's lil' Sis" gives varsity player, Johanna Swinford a helping hand. 3. The *Lady Bears* join together to hear a pep talk from Coach Romero. 4. The 1980-81 Girls' Varsity Volleyball Team: top left, Reesa Huebal, Mindy Morris, La-Donna Jozwiak. Center: Ruth Kappus. Bottom: Laura Hoppe, Melanie Wheat, Kim Thielemann, Jennifer Reinhardt, Coach Annette Romero and Manager Holly Kaufman. 5. Coach Annette Romero discusses the game plan with her girls. 6. The team members congratulate each other on a job well done.



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Under the leadership of new coach, Debra Trebotich, this year's Junior Varsity Volleyball team ended its season with 10 wins and 10 losses. "It was my first year teaching volleyball, and I'm very pleased with the team's desire to win," commented Coach Trebotich.

The J.V. team was compiled of 2 juniors and 5 sophomores. "Overall our team worked well together and had a pretty good season," stated Miss Trebotich.

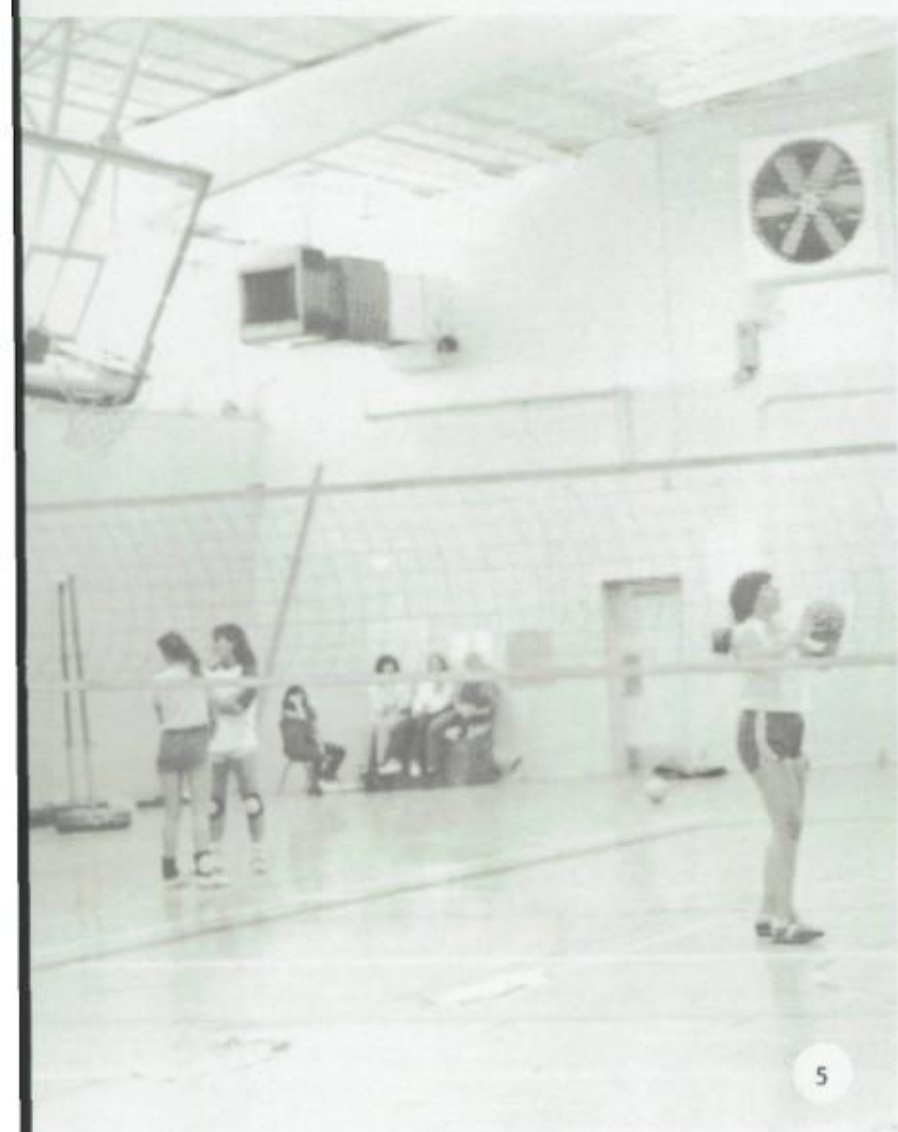
High point server was Judy Biesert. Some of the best players were Alisa Adams, and Judy Biesert.

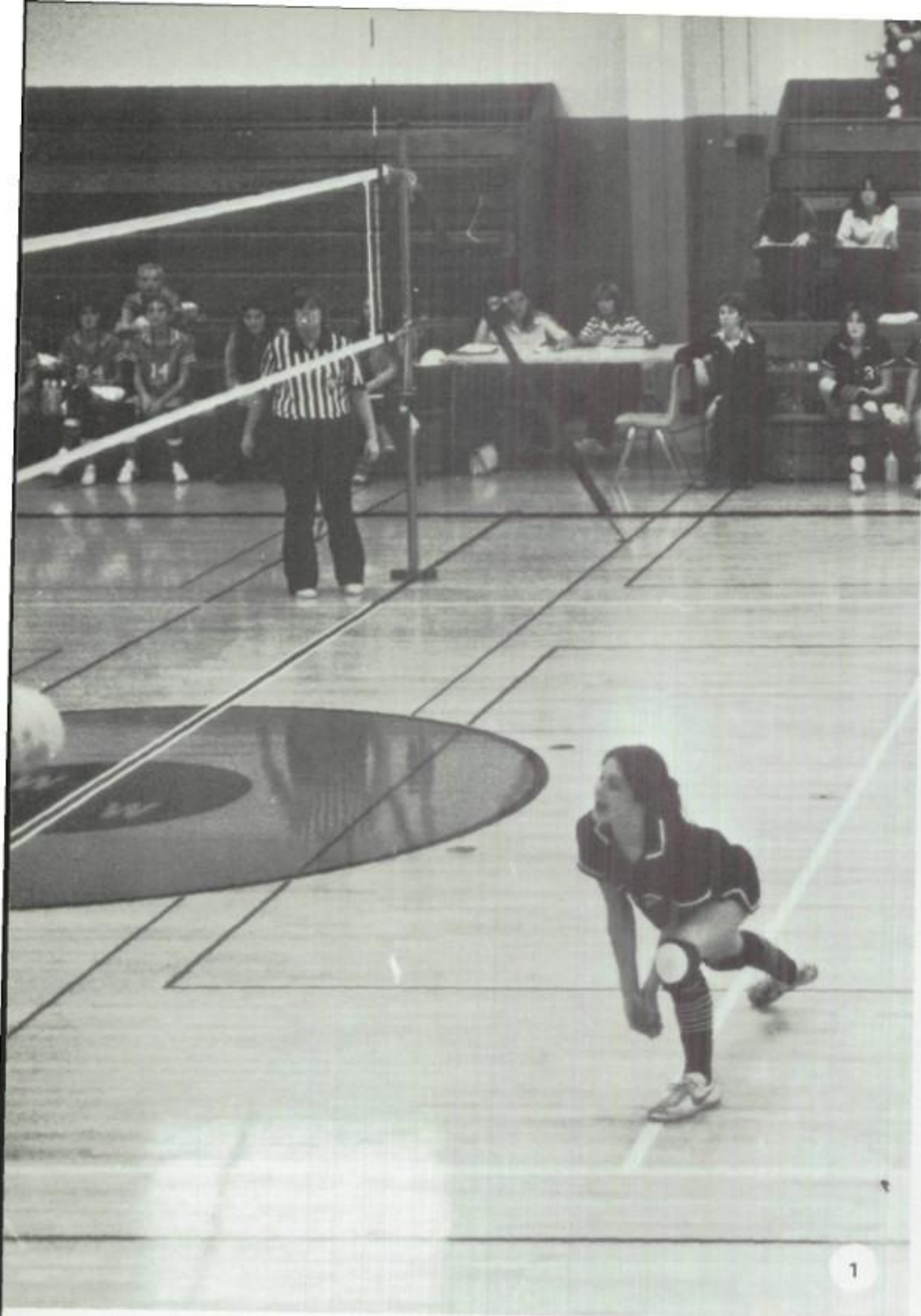
Alisa and Cherene kept the team pepped up and ready. They never let a team member get down. They would just say, 'shake it off,' according to team members.

A team rule was a game was lost or won as a team effort, not the doing of one person.

1. 1980-81 Junior Varsity Volleyball Team(front row) Cherene Reihani, Tammy Jamison, Cheryl Murphy, Kim Cude. (Second row) Coach Debbie Trebotich, Judy Beisert, Alisa Adams, Kathy Keaton. (Third row) Helen Seirra.
2. Ms. Debbie Trebotich is the 1980-81 Junior Varsity volleyball coach.
3. Varsity coach Annette Romero helps one of the students with her volleying.
4. Helen Seirra models her spirited J.V. volleyball shirt.
5. J.V. players watch as coach Annette Romero gives them a few pointers.
6. Freshman coach Deborah Maycomb has a discussion with some of the J.V. players about their techniques.

V o l l e y b a l l J. V.





V o l l e y b a l l



Back row: Judlyne Meadows, Karen Cossey, Julie Beard, Tracy Edwards, Second row: Janie Manford, Nancy Reinhardt, Dawn Smith, Laura Wainwright, Trudy Bostock, Sherry Andrews. First row: Judy Conley.



The 1980-81 freshman volleyball team ended its season with 8 wins and 8 losses. Coached by Miss Debra Macomb, the freshman team was a contender for the district championship. The team attended the Baytown volleyball tournament, placing second out of 16 teams, bringing home the only volleyball trophy for Spring Branch this year.

"This year was a learning experience for all involved in the program and it should make a substantial difference in the junior varsity team for 1981-82 season", commented Miss Macomb.

1. Laura Wainwright bumps the ball back to opponents. 2. Karen Cossey's quick action saves the ball. 3. Freshman Volleyball team. 4. Karen Cossey volleys the ball with backup from Julie Beard. 5. Julie Beard bumps the ball for a score. 6. Coach Trebotich advises Julie on bumping the ball.

Golfer Hebert Takes Ninth In District

"There are a lot of people who consider golf a game where you just hit a little ball, but it is like getting a law degree," said JW Green, a senior member of the SBHS varsity golf team. "Most teams have just a sponsor, not a coach, who gives rides, organizes tournaments, gives the guys money to eat, and stuff like that," added Green. The coach of the team is Coach Bill Maxcy, who is in his second year as the SBHS golf coach/sponsor. The team is made up of ten people, only five of whom get to go to each tournament. Contenders are determined by holding elimination rounds.

The golfers practice at Witte, Bear Creek, and Memorial courses. Although the practicing fees and clubs are not furnished, the members do get a windbreaker, golf bag, and golf balls for the tournaments.

The Bears did well in district with David Hebert finishing ninth.



		Schedule
Date		Place
March 2		Beaumont
March 6		Corpus Christi
March 9		Stratford
		(Westwood C.C.)
March 16		West Orange
March 17		Westchester
		(Pine Forest)
March 30		Conroe (River Plantation)
April 21&22		District (Pine Forest C.C.)





1. Richard Valigura putts in the district golf tournament. 2. John Crane sinks a putt in district play. 3. Golf Coach is Bill Maxcy. 4. JW Green quietly ponders his next shot. 5. JW Green takes a putt at the hole. 6. JW Green takes an iron shot to the green. 7. Group Shot of team: First row: JW Green, John Weirich, Craig Chappell. Second row: David Herbert, Richard Valigura, John Crane.



Varsity Basketball Team: (Front) Tony Winfrey, Mike Wade, Dennis Mehafeff, John Garsaud. (Back) Troy Lee, Tom Urquhart, George Rose, John Cooney, Coach Charles Turnbough, Manager Brian Grant.

1. Junior Dennis Mehafeff prepares to make over-head pass as Coach Muncos looks on. 2. Junior George Rose's reach is not quite long enough. 3. Mike Wade, junior, goes up for two over the out-stretched arms of Memorial's No. 40. 4. Junior Tony Winfrey brings the ball down the court. 5. "Dynamic Duo" are Tom Urquhart and Dennis Mehafeff.

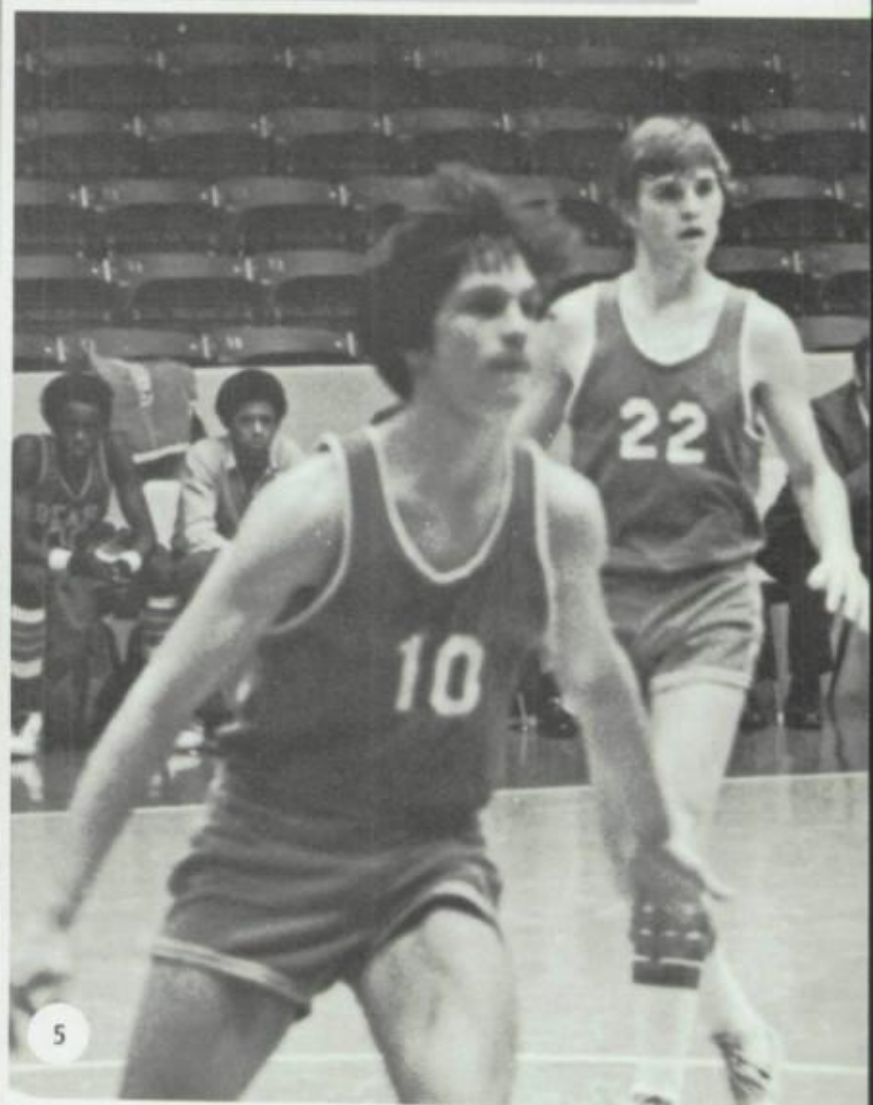
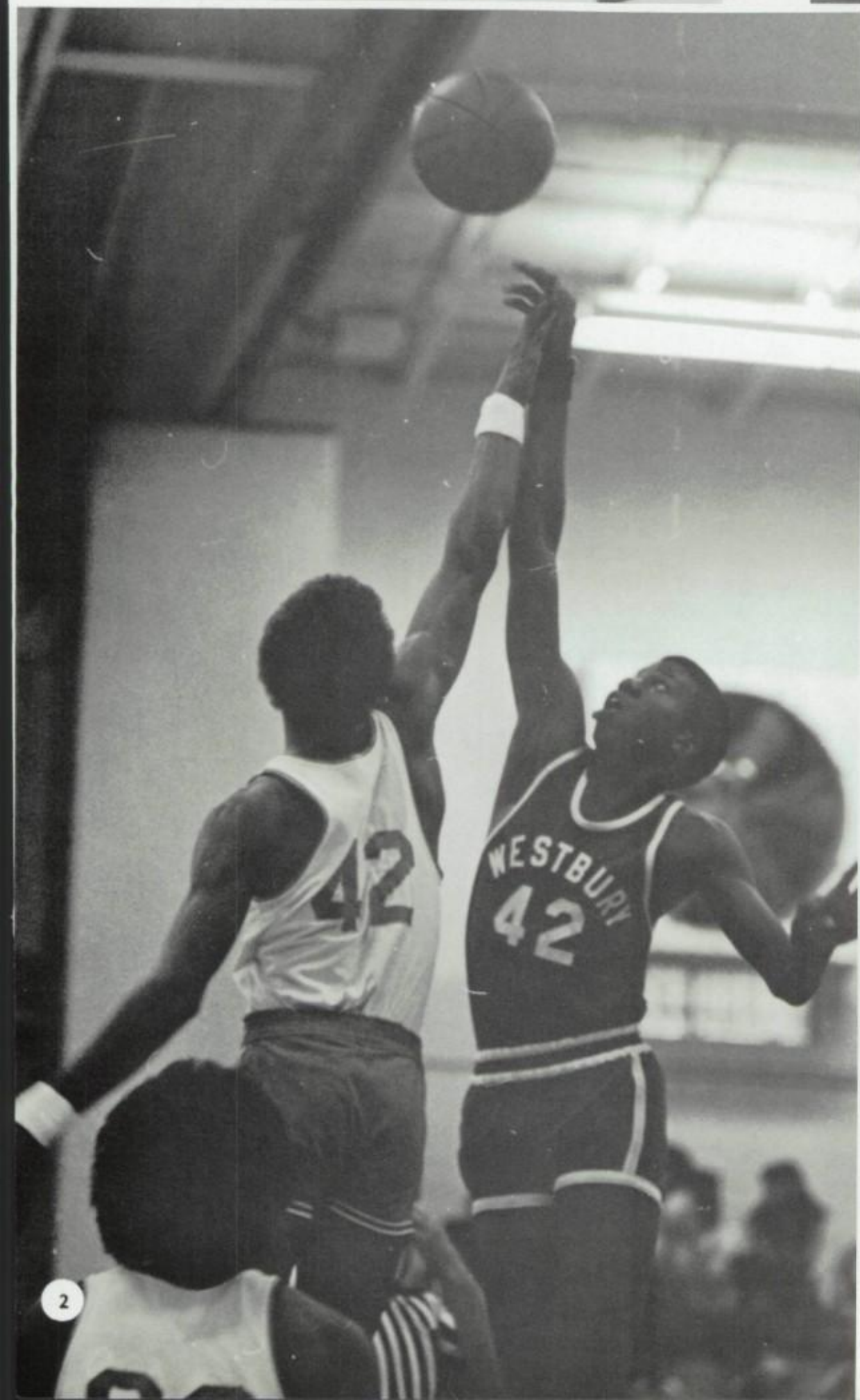
Varsity basketball team overcame the lack of height and experience and pulled out a second place finish in the second half of district play. In the first half, the team finished a disappointing fifth place. Its overall goal for the year was to win 20 games; yet, it came up short and finished with a 19-16 record.

The second half of district was a great success. Varsity beat Westchester and El-sik in a showdown. Yet Memorial came up on top. The team competed in three tourneys including the Spring Branch-Cy-Fair and San Marcos meet, which they lost to Westchester in consolation finals.

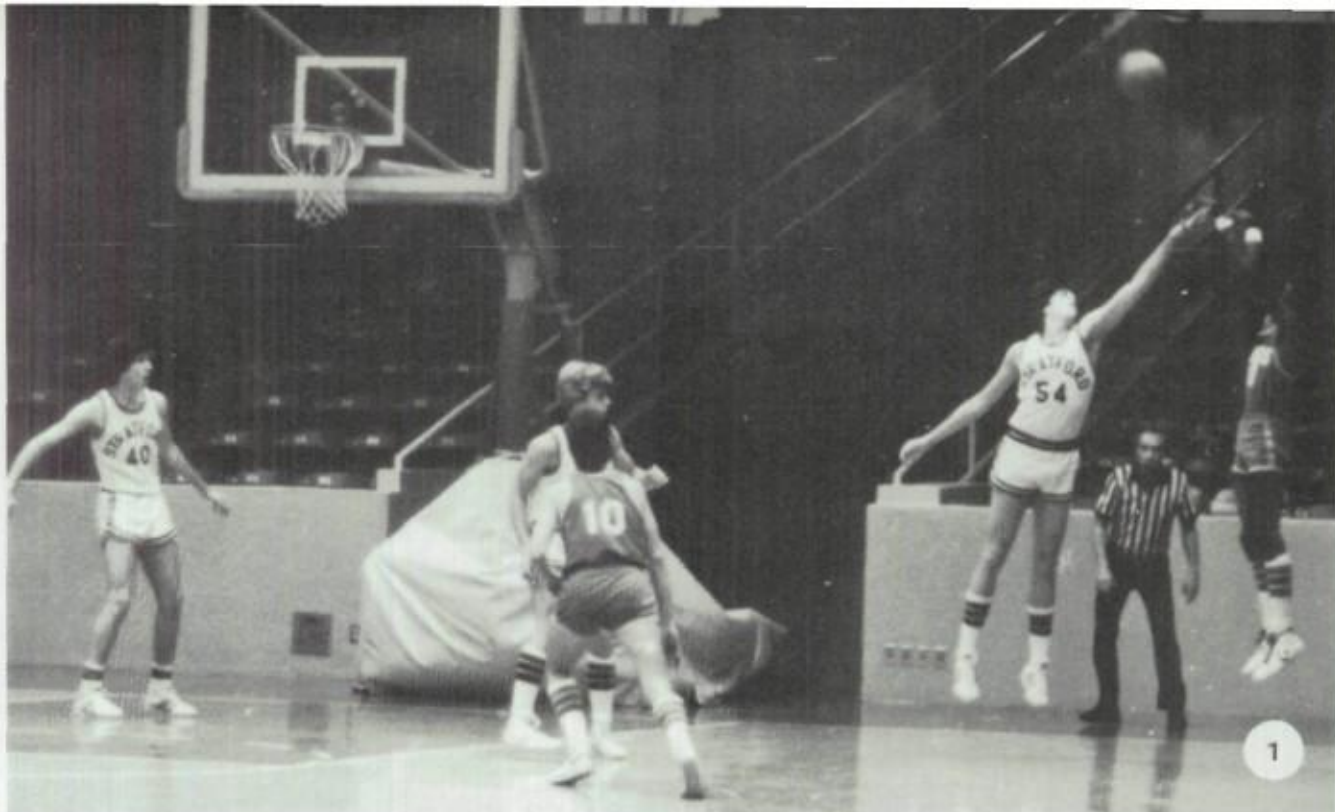
The team consisted of seven juniors and two seniors. The juniors started a majority of the time. Some of the top players this year were ace rebounder and leading scorer George Rose, junior. The helpful hand, also known as the quarterback of the court, Dennis Mehafeff, led the team in assists. Juniors Tom Urquhart, Tony Winfrey, Mike Wade and senior Ken Suprenant made the season a successful one.

Varsity Roundballers Make A Good Second-Half Showing





1. Tony Winfrey goes up for a 30-footer as Tom Urquhart moves in for a rebound. 2. Mike Wade shoots from free line as George Rose screens off a Spring Woods' player. 3. Coach Turnbough explains basketball as Tony Winfrey and Dennis Mehafeff listen. 4. Tommy Urquhart goes over the outstretched arm of No. 30. 5. John Cooney and Dennis Mehafeff eagerly await a rebound.





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Turnbough: "I've Outlived Them All."

"If it weren't for basketball, I wouldn't be a teacher," said Charles Turnbough, basketball coach at Spring Branch High. Turnbough played basketball in high school.

"People who become coaches usually have some athletic background," he said.

Turnbough was born in Roswell, New Mexico and majored in physical education and biology at the University of Texas. He is married and the father of two daughters. Turnbough has taught at Spring Branch for 12 years.

"I've outlived them all," he said laughing.

In reflecting on his role as a teacher, Turnbough said he considered disciplining students an important part of his job.

Kenneth Lawrence





Fish-A Basketball

Bottom row: Manager Rodney Ballard, Neal Meyer, Russell Tiedt, William Mays, Antonio Fernandez. Top row: Manager John Welch, Todd Pelagos, Robert Cochran, Henry Leday, Coach Dwayne Munos.

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Bottom Row: Manager John Ballard, John Farris, Darrell Thomas, Paul Iespersion, Rodney Jackson, Darryl Flood, Robert Dodd. Top row: Manager John Welch, George Sanders, Craig Becker, Loyd Chinn, James Klander, Coach Dwayne Munos.



1. Henry Leday breaks a tie-ball. 2. Henry Leday tosses one in. 3. Coach Bill Maxcy.



Freshman A and B Basketball had a good season, even though they only won one-third of their games. "They were inexperienced," said Coach Dwayne Munos. "But as they progress, the playing will improve when they become juniors and seniors."

Russell Tiedt, team member, also feels the team has room to improve but noted, "We were a combination of different schools, and we weren't used to working together."

Coach Munos noted that Tiedt was one of his better players on the team.

Russell said he likes to play basketball "because it is such an action sport, and it is really exciting."

"Both teams may have finished next to last in district this year, but with all the hard workers and enthusiasm, I look for improvement," said Coach Munos.

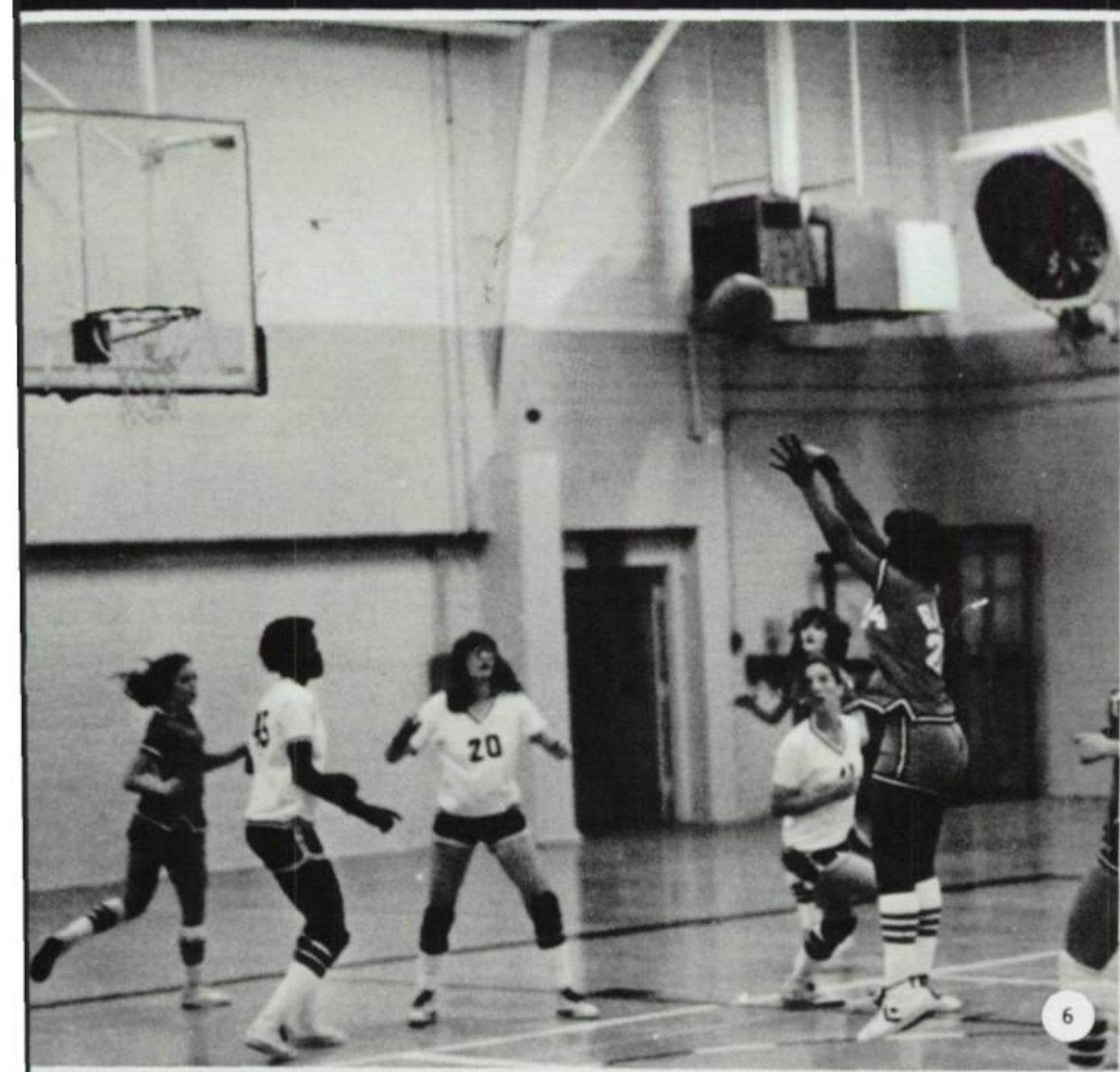
Non-Honors Take Third

"Our basketball teams match up in ability to other teams in the district", said Deborah Macomb, varsity girls basketball coach.

The team played its first game on December 4, against Westbury. They lost the scrimmage match 35-40. "The girls needed more game experience. We scrimmage each other, but that doesn't help when you play a completely different group of people. Next week we play our first district game, making Westbury the only team we have to play before we start district", stated Coach Macomb. Varsity Bear Carlotta Knapo added, "We don't have enough tall people but still think that we'll win district."

Early in the season the girls' varsity basketball team had won five of their games and lost two varsity players. Jennifer Reinhardt, Dana Caldwell, Kim Tyler, Laura Hoppe, Barbara Valentine, and Betsy Smith have been considered outstanding by their coach.





Westchester seemed to be one of the toughest opponents for the varsity team, although the other teams they played put up a good fight. The two main plays, full court press and pressure defense, are used by both the varsity and freshman teams.

Coach Macomb said, "The team is much better this year. They are stronger and they know the game better. We have a lot of depth and potential, and I think we can take the title." The Non-Honors ended up with a third place in district.

1. Jennifer Reinhardt releases her shot against Northbrook, just as the referee blows his whistle. 2. Kim Tyler shoots for two against Elsik. 3. 1980-81 Varsity Girls Basketball Team: First Row- Jennifer Reinhardt. Second Row- Jamie Jolly, Tracy Arnold, Karen Evans, Leigh Reeves. Third Row- Marie Bakoylis (Manager), Dana Caldwell, Carlotta "Stud" Knapo, Kim Tyler, Barbara Valentine, Betsy Smith, Kellee Hiltermann (Manager). 4. Laura Hoppe gets ready for the tip-off. 5. Barbara Valentine displays her ball-handling skills against Elsik. 6. The Lady Bears get ready for the rebound of the Elsik shot.



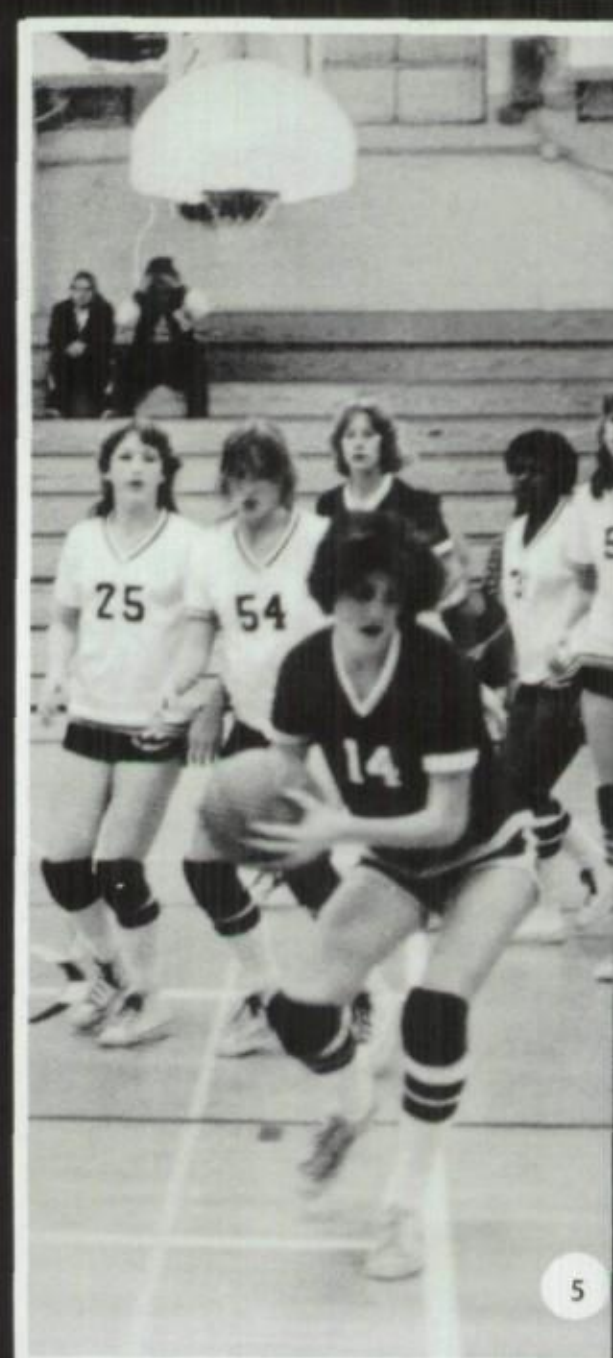
"We base our basketball program on the fact that winning is not everything, but wanting to win is", said the freshman girls' basketball coach, Ms. Debbie Trebotich.

The freshman girls' basketball team proved to their coach that their will was strong enough to win a first in district.

During the 1980-81 season, the freshman girls' basketball team played many good teams. Their toughest opponent proved to be their biggest rival, Northbrook. In the first game Northbrook won by two points with a score of 28-30. The Bears were at a disadvantage in this game by having their first five players fouled out with only four people left to play. The next meeting of freshmen girls' basketball team and Northbrook proved to be victorious for the Bears. Nancy Reinhardt scored six points in the last forty-five seconds, ending the game with a score of 32-30.

The last game of the season against Westchester was "meet the team night". All the parents came. Each player was introduced and, each player presented his parents with a carnation.

The freshmen ended their season with a 10-3 record. Freshman Nancy Reinhardt was high point girl with Michelle Tyler leading the team in rebounds.





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1. 1980-81 Freshman Girls' Basketball team: First row: Aimie Nousseau, Thea Trotcher, Amy Hermann, Michelle Tyler, Nancy Reinhardt. Second row: Coach Debbie Trebotich, Manager Wanda Caldwell, Jeannie Parker, Peggy Mooney, Julie Beard, Hilde-Marie Branaes, Karen Cossey, and Manager Michelle Wilson. 2. Nancy Reinhardt defends the Raider's lay-up. 3. Jeannie Parker sees an open shot. 4. Coach Debbie Trebotich. 5. Karen Cossey gives it all she's got on a tip-off against Westchester. 6. Lady Bears wonder what the Northbrook opponents' next move will be. 7. Michelle Tyler wins the jump ball against Northbrook. 8. Nancy Reinhardt succeeds in getting the ball off while evading her opponent.



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Freshman Laura Wainwright is devoted to track. She spends most of everyday working on running. Listing it as her top hobby, Laura spends all summer running AAU track at the Mennonite track club. She also said she likes to swim, go to the beach, and just have fun.

When asked why she likes track so much, Laura replied, "It's a good feeling after I've worked out really hard because I feel I have accomplished something. Also there is such team effort." Laura has participated on winning teams several times this year. She scored 28 points for the varsity track which excluded 2 meets she had to miss. She had to have 21 to letter. She ran the mile relay and placed first four times and third once. She also placed in the open quarter twice.

Laura said she feels pressures here in high school. "I sort of wish I was back in Landrum because they expect a lot from you here," said the 5'1" brown haired, blue eyed freshman.

At 103 pounds, Laura's small frame also carries her through two other sports, Volleyball and cross-country. Larua has certain views on winning. "It gives me a feeling that I've accomplished what I've set out to do. It makes me know spring Branch is number one."

1. Outstanding runners Kim Cut-singer, Ruth Kappus, Candy Bostock, Kim Theilmann, Lisa Holewyne have brought numerous awards this year.
2. Varsity runners Vicky Beale and Ruth Kappus listen to the starter for instructions before the race.
3. Laura Wainwright, varsity track runner, smiles as a friend tells a joke.
4. Lisa Evans, state ranked hurdler, poses with the medals she has collected in her four years of high school.
5. Varsity volleyball player Risa Heubel



Outstanding Girls In S p o r t s



One of Spring Branch's most admirable track stars, Lisa Evans, is bright and energetic.

"Track and competition are exhilarating," exclaimed Lisa. "It's competitive and keeps me in shape. I have a track diet that is eating mainly vegetables and very little meat. I can eat as many sweets as I want as long as I run it off," she grinned. "I first got interested in track when I saw someone doing hurdles on T.V." Ironically, now Lisa's best event is the 100 meter hurdle.

"I've had four meet records in the 100 meter hurdle and once held the fastest time. I've also won several metals and ribbons for other events.

"At the end of my freshman year I was in a car accident. They said I might not live, and if I did I could have brain damage. But I made it through and came back to school the next year. I was back in track, competed, and won ribbons. It was really hard making a comeback, but I did it. I couldn't

let it get me down. Now I'm a four-year letterman."

When asked what her plans were after high school, Lisa replied, "I'm either going to Rice or Texas University, hopefully Rice. I'll be going on a full track scholarship for four years.

"I'm going to miss high school, especially the younger kids and the teachers. It's been an experience. It's had its ups and downs. I'm really looking forward to meeting people in college though."

"I hope all the seniors will be strong and successful and help the United States to get straightened out. Our country has a lot of problems and I know that if we *all* work together we can make this a better place to live. Life is something you have to work at very hard, but it's worth the work. I've enjoyed my life. I plan to keep making goals and reaching for the sky!"

"I love all of you and wish you the best of luck."

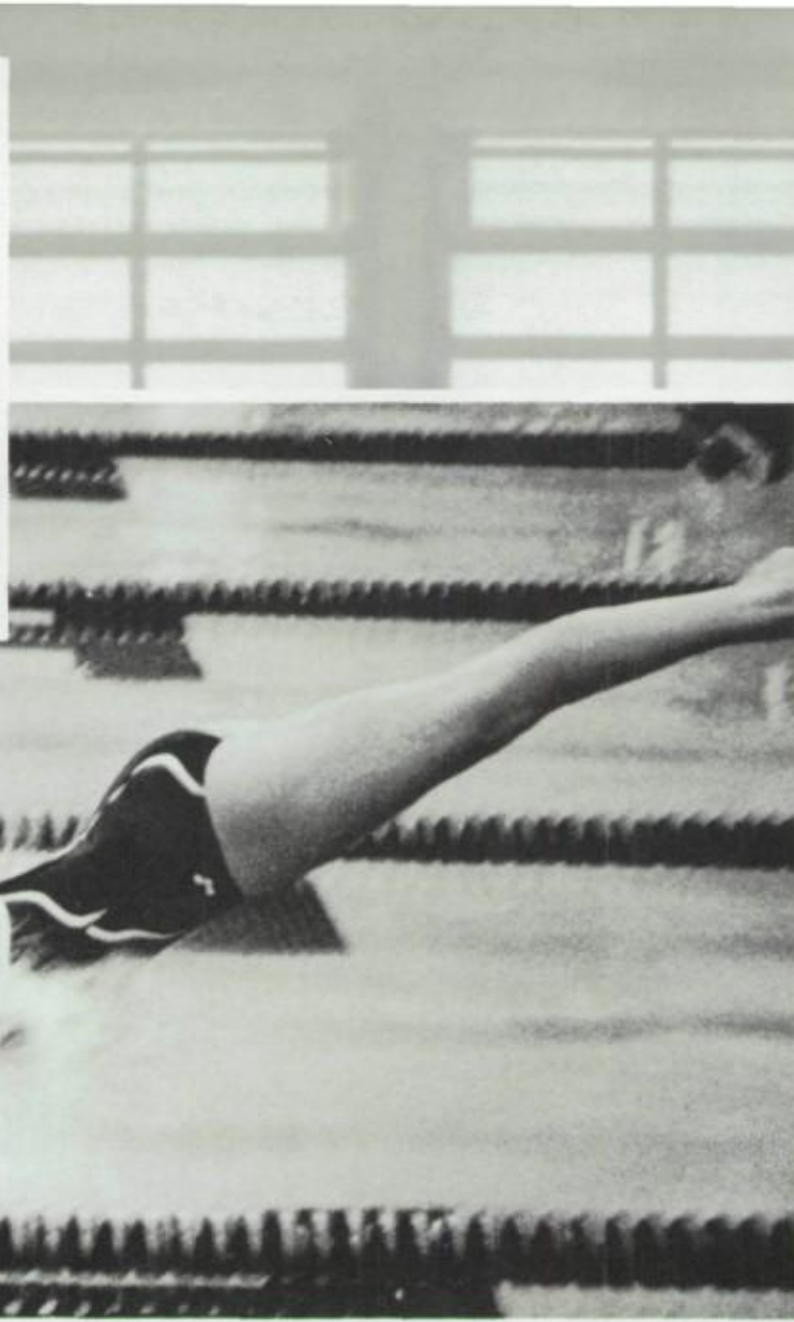


S W I M M I N G



Swim Team: (left to right) Back row: Jackie Twadorsky, Rita Shay, Robin Brooks, Charelle Goulas, Debbie Ellison, Colleen Ellison, Shannon Fitzgerald. Front Row: Theresa Peyrefitte, Tracey Colwell, Michelle Barnard, Coach Jane Huiskamp, Carrie Creel, Sanns Stevens, Cathy Brusick.





Spring Branch swim team put on an amazing performance this season, placing third in district and sending seven swimmers to regionals. "Our performance is really an improvement over last year," said Jane Huiskamp, swim coach. "We came in last year, and we had more talent then."

The seven swimmers going to regionals were Michelle Bernard, Kathy Brusick, Debbie Ellison and Ann Stevens in the 400 freestyle relay. Kathy Brusick swam in the 50 and 100 yard freestyle. Charelle Poulas, Spring Branch diver, placed sixth in district and was invited to regionals. Spring Branch also had Shannon Fitzgerald, Jackie Wardowsky, Debbie Ellison and Ann Stevens as alternates in their events.

Huiskamp admitted disappointment that no boys joined the team this year. "Most boys consider swimming a sissy sport," she said. "But it's really the best way to keep in shape."

Summing up the team's season, Huiskamp said, "The swimmers were such a classy team mentally. We were undefeated in dual and tri-meets."



1. Debbie Ellison, junior, swims the 500 freestyle during a tri-meet against Lamarque and Hastings. 2. Kathy Brusick relaxes after her victory in the 200 freestyle. 3. Freshman Michelle Barnard (far left) is number one on the swim team. 4. Colleen Ellison takes the plunge for the 100 breast stroke. 5. Colleen Ellison swims the 100 breast stroke with a time of 1:28.6. Debbie Ellison beats everyone off the start.



Varsity Finishes Three Games Back



BACK ROW: Coach Wayne Teader, Jimmy Gann, Dana Youngblood, John Koenig, Matt Cooney, Bill Bailey, Terry Griffith, Paul Wells, Coach Rick Prewitt. Middle row: Cathy Bowen, Laura Kelly, Ray Mikeska, Edward Holub, Curtis McFarland, Paul Kappler, Tom Urquhart. Front Row: John Welch, Tim Schoenstein, Bryan Grant, Montie Smith, Bruce Hermis, John Lewis. Not in picture: Kyle Todd, Marty Shofner, Mike Knight.

After suffering early season lapses, the Bears battled back with a strong performance in the Alvin Tournament March 12-14.

The Bear pitching staff led the team to three tournament victories, John Koenig defeating Aldine's MacArthur, 3-2, freshman Monte Smith beating Galena Park, 6-2 and, 6-2, and senior Paul Wells controlling a strong Alvin team, 6-1.

All-tourney players included senior shortstop Kyle Todd, Terry Griffith at first base and Moundman Paul Wells, as well as junior Tom Urquhart in center-field.

The Bears' victory pace increased after April 15. John Koenig polished off Westchester in five innings, 10-0, with a sparkling no-hitter.

Katy was next to fall victim to the Bears' powerful attack as junior Edward Holub's two-hit performance led the Bears past the Tigers, 2-0. Tim Schoenstein, senior, contributed to the victory by driving in both Bear runs.

Senior Marty Shofner continued the Bear bandwagon as he dazzled spectators with his performance in five innings to beat the Alief Elsik Rams, 13-1.

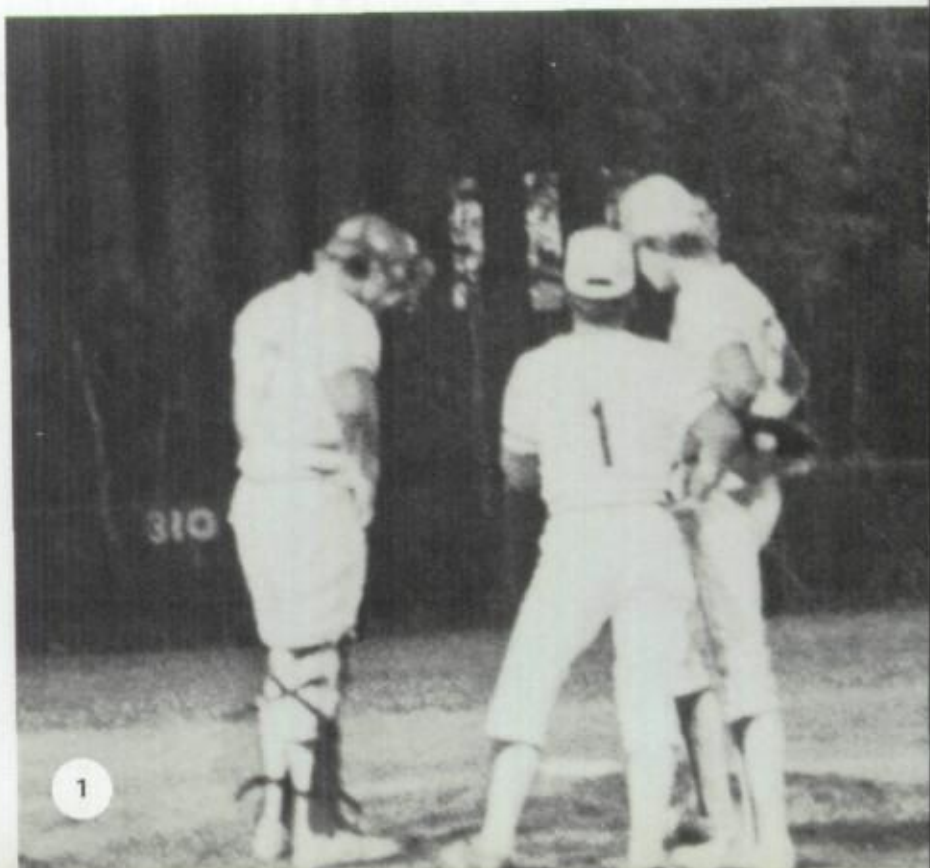
Holub got the start on April 23 as the Bears faced Northbrook. Holub pitched three innings before being relieved by Paul Wells, who went the remainder of the ten-inning game. A solo homer by Tom Urquhart plus a game-winning hit by Terry Griffith gave the Bears a 12-11 victory over the Raiders.

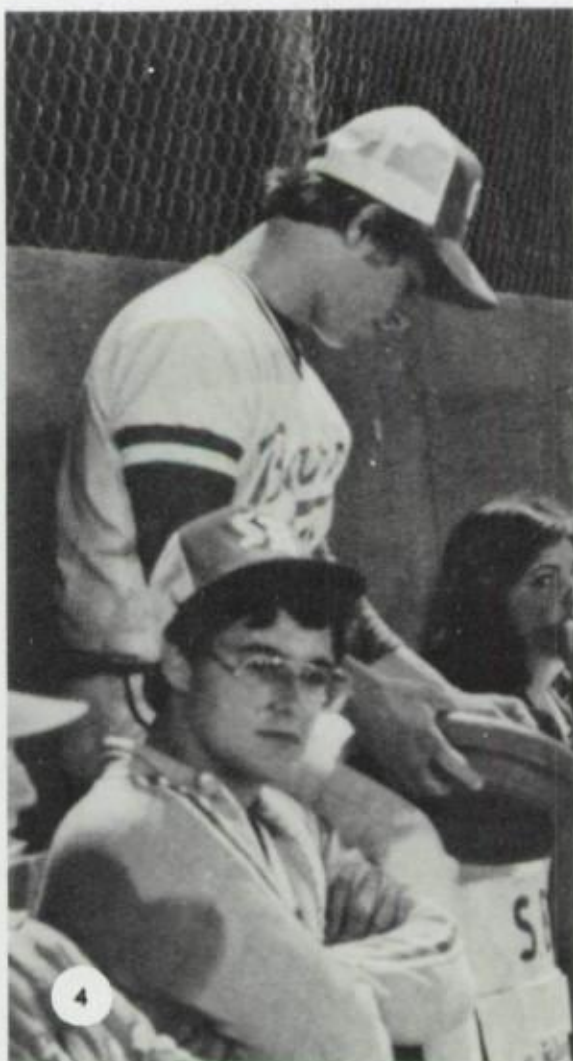
The Bears suffered their first defeat in two weeks as the powerful Tigers of Spring Woods, District champs, triumphed, 7-1. John Koenig was the losing

pitcher; Paul Wells accounted for the only Bear run with a solo shot in the fifth inning.

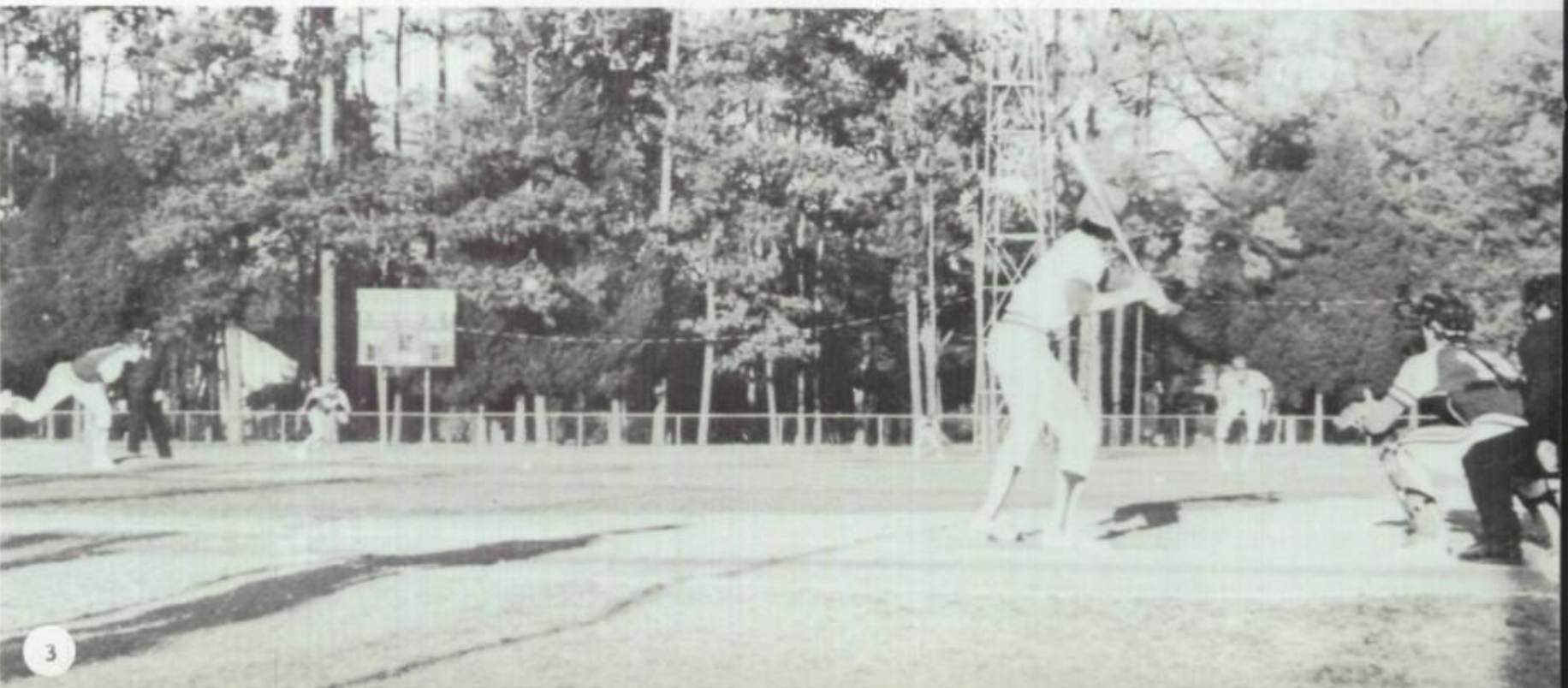
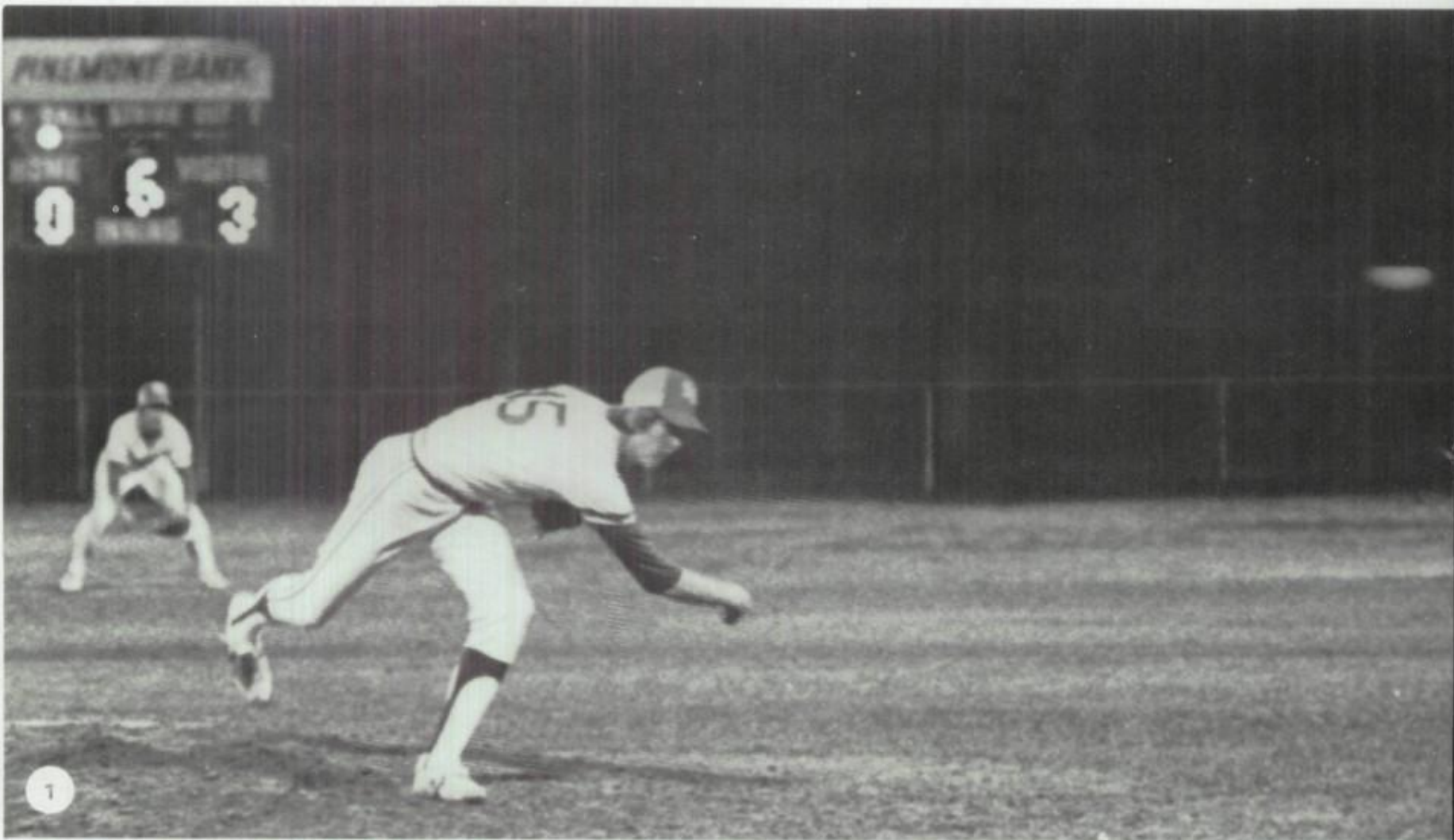
The Tigers visited Spring Branch April 27, with the Bears handing them a 4-0 shutout. Edward Holub was impressive with five strikeouts, not allowing a Tiger baseman past second base.

Terry Griffith had a two-run double to seal up the victory for the Bears.





1. Paul Kappler, Coach Wayne Teader and John Koenig have a conference on the mound.
 2. Terry Griffith hits a long out.
 3. Dana Youngblood watches the ball as he throws the ball in from left field.
 4. Marty Sholner gets a drink as Ray Mikeska looks on. 5. Tom Urquhart trots in from center-field.



Varsity Record

1. John Koenig fires a fast ball. 2. Marty Shofner pitches to a Stratford batter as Jimmy Gann watches from behind the plate. 3. Tom Urquhart faces the pitcher from St. Thomas. Dana Youngblood leads off first. 4. Marty Shofner races back as John Lewis gets into position at second base.

Season 12-14

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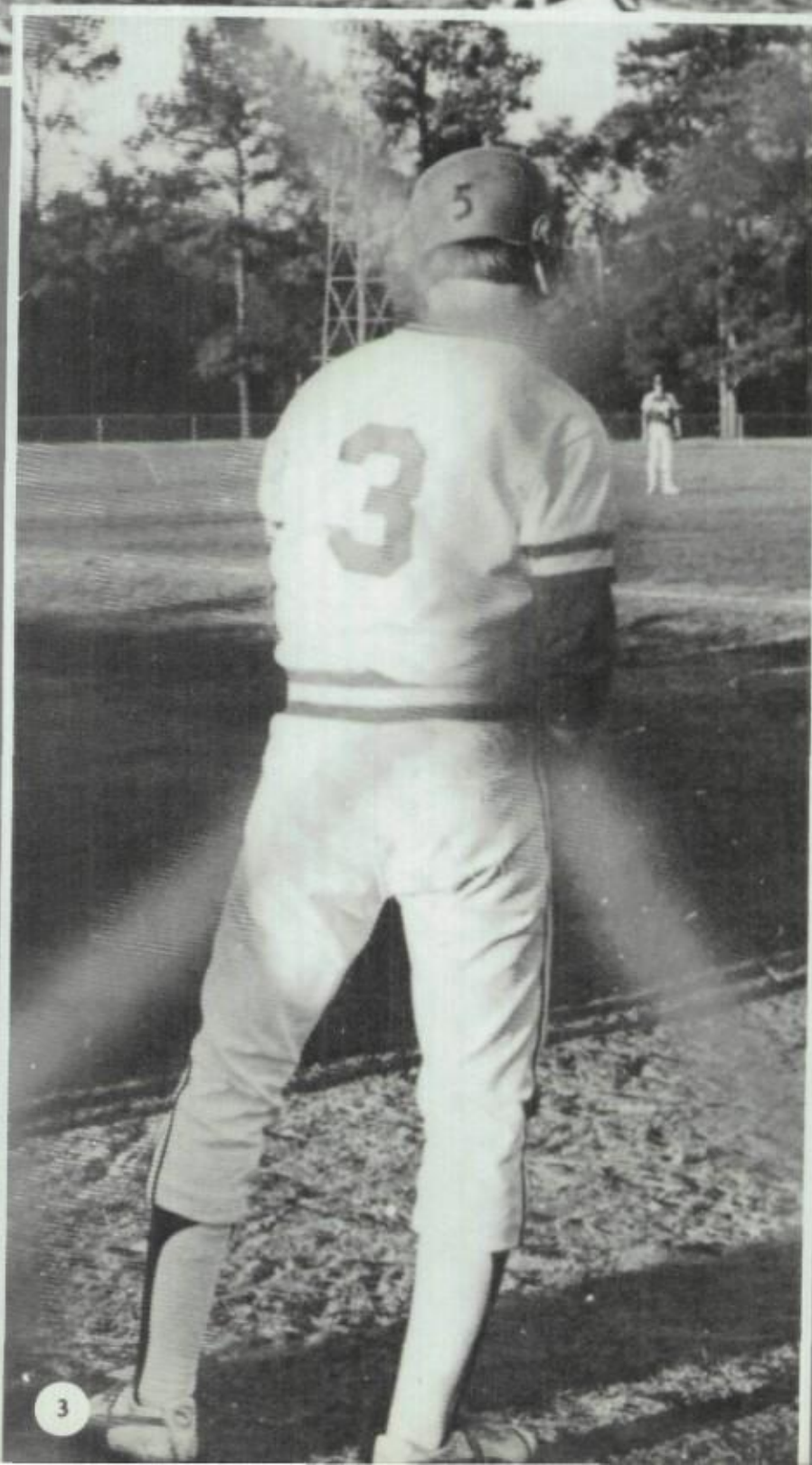
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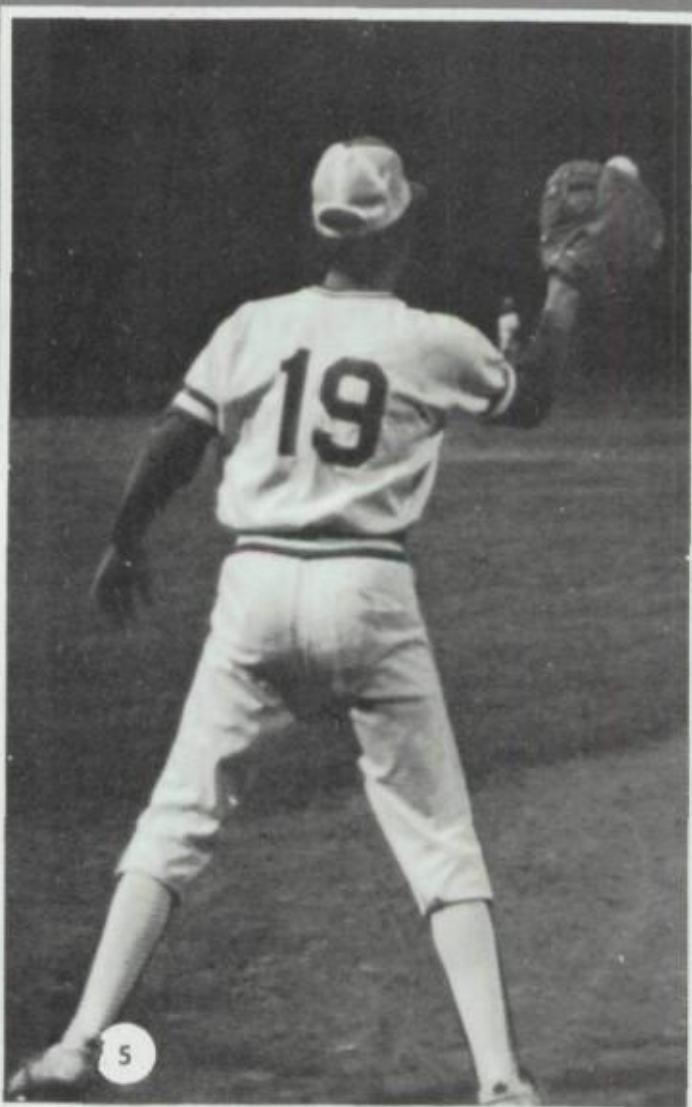
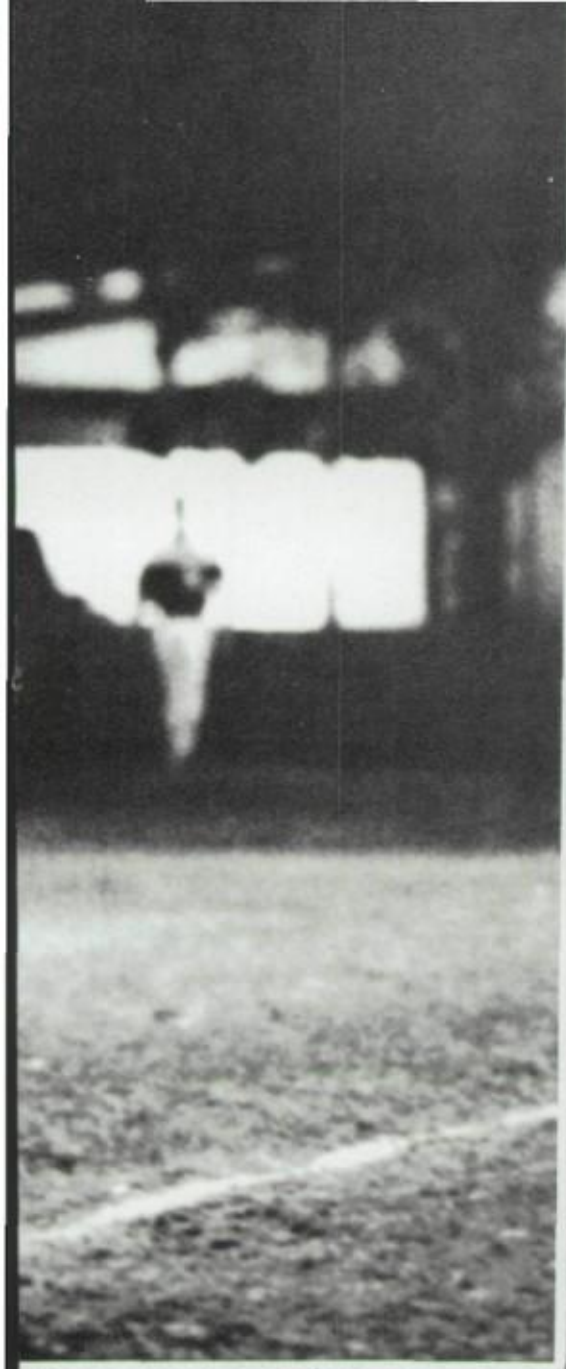




Juniors Lead Season For Bears

The Spring Branch Varsity Baseball Team had a tremendous amount of talent, yet they couldn't quite get it all together. New programs which were stressed this year included leads and breaks and first and third steals. The best performances came out of two juniors: Outfielder Tom Urquhart and pitcher Eddie Holub. The leaders of the team were Paul Wells, John Welch and Bryan Grant. Some of the highlights of the year were Kyle Todd's two homeruns against Pearland, Paul Well's solo shot against Spring Woods, Tom Urquhart's solo homerun against Northbrook.





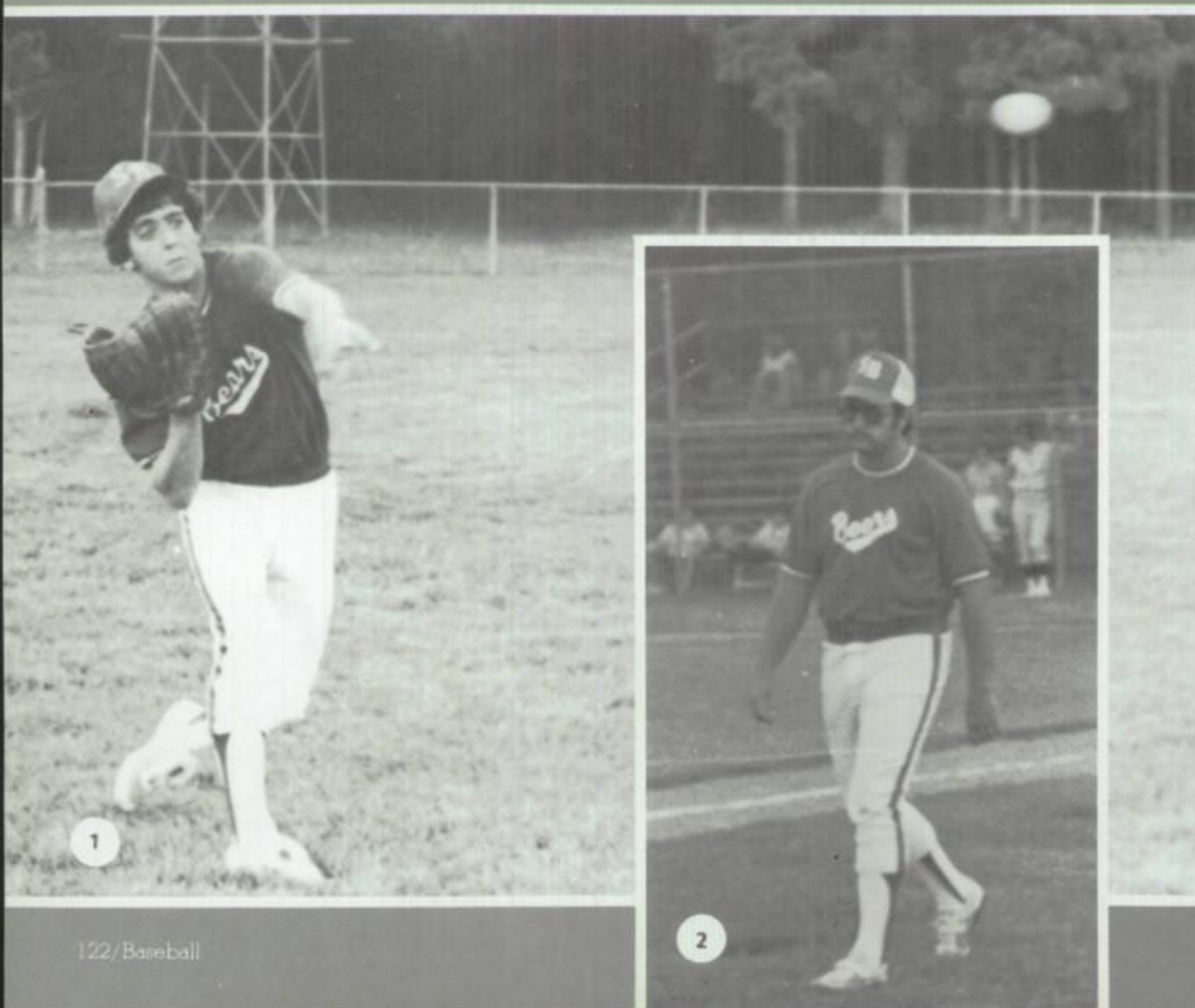
1. Paul Wells hits a liner to left field for a base hit. 2. Bill Bailey is ready at shortstop. 3. Junior John Lewis puts on his batting glove as he prepares to bat. 4. Bill Bailey and Dana Youngblood (12) stand at the fence during third inning rally. 5. Terry Griffith receives a ball at first base. 6. All-greater Houston catcher Paul Kappler catches another sensational game. 7. All district outfielder Mike Knight hits a high fly ball.



JV Baseball

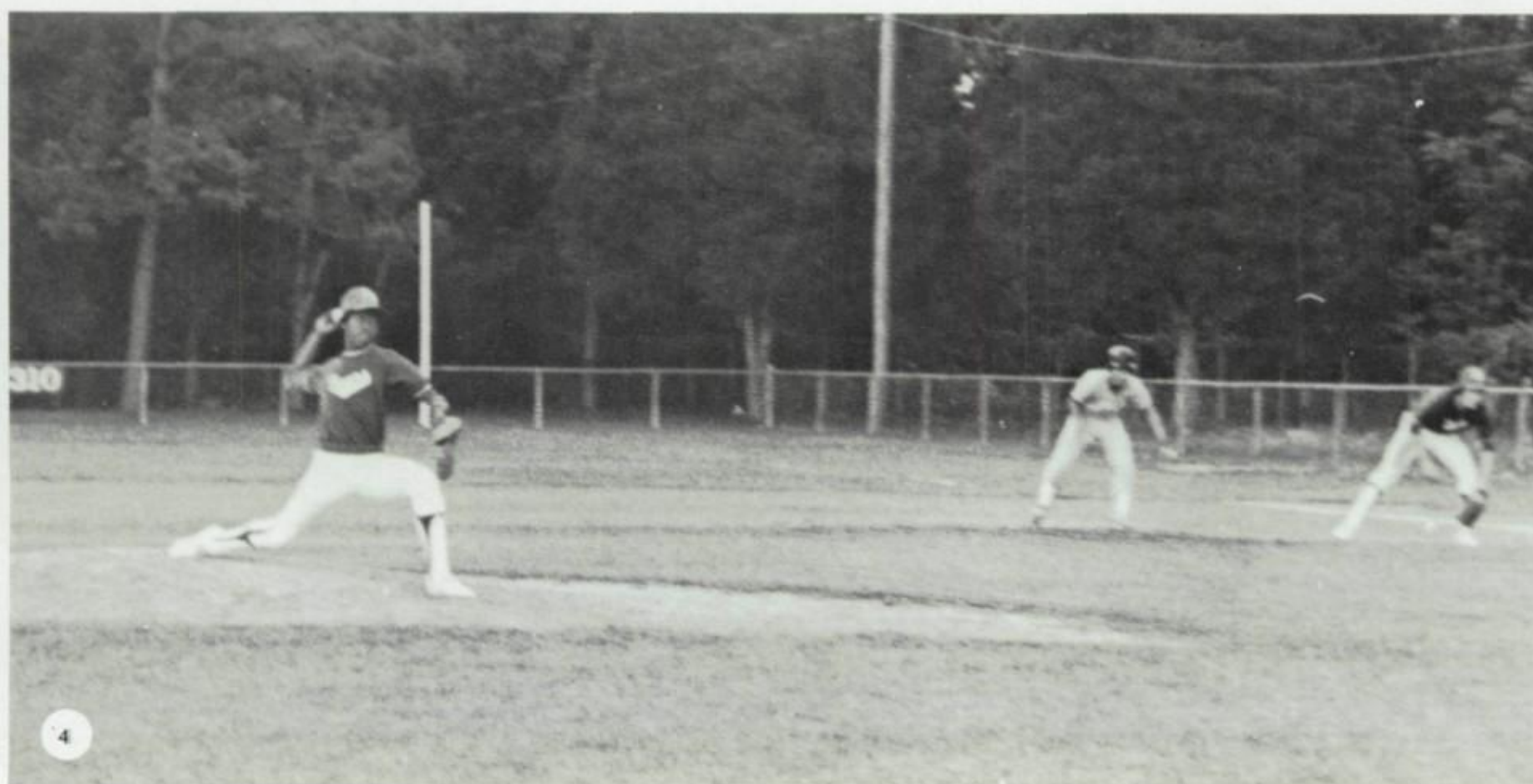


J.V. Baseball Team: Cathy Bowen, Stacy Patterson, Thomas Peterson, Matt Cooney, Noel Irving, Sam Snow, Coach Rick Prewitt. Kneeling- Monte Smith, Kenny Koncaba, Kyle Shugar, Darrin Zwerneman, Kirk Koenig, John Gonzales. Sitting- Henry Flores, Duane Willett, Pat Armstrong, Ron Tedder.



1. Kyle Shugar fires the ball home from left field. 2. Coach Rick Prewitt walks to his place in the coaching box. 3. Junior Curtis McFarland, who also had some playing time on varsity, prepares to throw to first base. 4. Pitcher John Gonzales rares back to fire home as Matt Cooney (first baseman) is ready at first.

Finishes Season 8-8



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Year





was a building season for the junior varsity baseball season, according to Coach Wayne Tedder. A new program which emphasized an offensive running game and stealing bases was set into motion.

"Even though we didn't win that many games, we were successful with the new program," Tedder said.

"Stealing bases is the key. That puts the a lot of pressure on a team defensively."

Concerning next year's program, Tedder said it was hard to anticipate probable outcomes of the team's performance since a new group of students would be coming in.

"You don't have a freshman baseball team here. It's tough to build a program with only two teams."

Summing up the year, Tedder said, "The biggest thing we did was bring in new ideas and philosophies within the JV structure."

The Junior Varsity finished the season with 8 wins, 8 losses.

1. Coach Prewitt talks over the batting strategy with team members. 2. Number 30, Sophomore Matt Cooney, who also played on varsity, gets a good jump on stealing second base. 3. Bat girls (left) Cathy Bowen and (right) Laura Kelly discuss an upcoming game. 4. Stacy Patterson tries a pick-off to Matt Cooney (30) as third baseman Curtis McFarland looks on. 5. Number 24, Curtis McFarland hits a sharp ground ball. 6. Stacy Patterson fires a fast ball to catcher Kenny Koncaba (#18) as Darrin Zwerneman gets ready at shortstop.





Tennis

Tennis coach Susan Hershey has made the Spring Branch Tennis Program respectable. "One of my goals is to compete athletically as a coach and a player," she said. "I really like to play tennis with the students." Hershey has been playing tennis for nine years.

"I try to teach my students a little about life and themselves," Hershey remarked. She has twelve players on the varsity team. They practice hitting, running and serving daily.

"Four of my students might have a future in professional tennis," Hershey said optimistically.

The 1980-81 tennis schedule brought many new changes this year in tournaments. During the year the team traveled to many "day" tournaments such as the Cy-Fair Invitational, Alief Invitational, Spring Branch Invitational Beaumont Invitational, and the Clear Creek tournament. There were also two overnight tournaments which took the team to Nacogdoches for the Stephen f. Austin tournament March 6-8, and the Austin tournament held March 12-14.

The most outstanding players on the team were Ike Osaki and Kevin Smith who won first place in district, in the boy's doubles competition. They beat the number one seeded team in district, Westchester High School.

1. 1980-81 Varsity tennis team: Front row: Susan Donaldson, April Davis, Kari Walker, Lisa Smith, Carrie Shugar, Mel Blackman. Second row: Ike Osaki, Charles Metsger, Ricky Waikus, Kevin Smith, Steff VanDyke.

2. Gary Sablatura practices for an up-coming match.

3. Susan Donaldson gets into the swing of things.

4. Miss Susan Hershey, tennis coach.

5. The team listens to Coach Hershey discuss an up-coming match.

6. This is a familiar sight around the tennis courts after a long, hard practice.

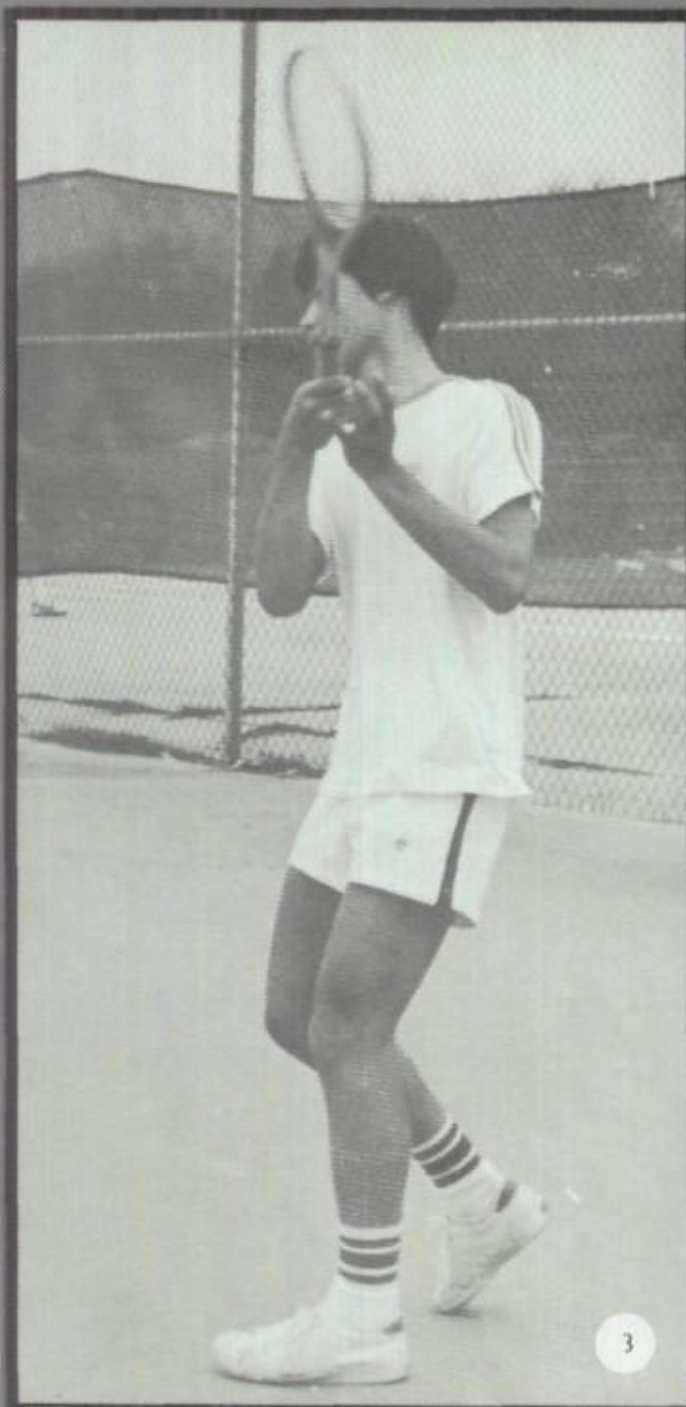
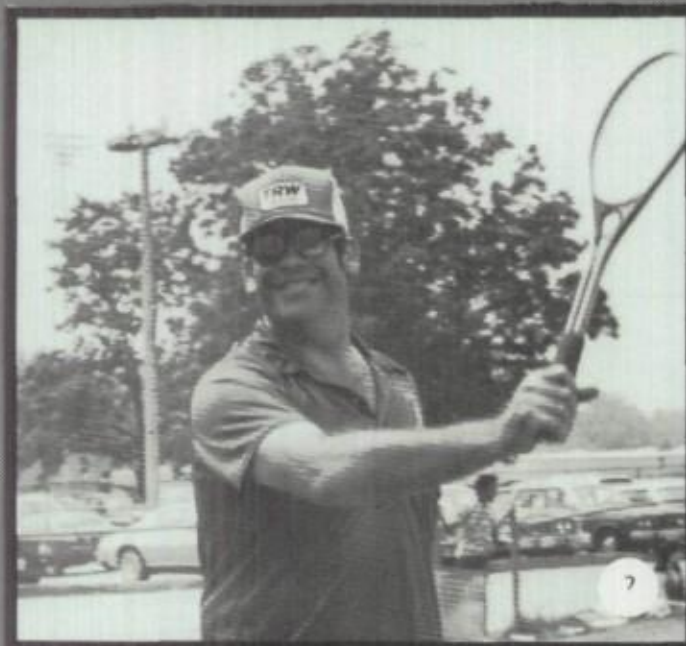
7. Ike Osaki prepares for district meet. 8. Kevin Smith works on his strokes.





J.V. Tennis Swings Into Action

This year's J.V. tennis team consisted of six guys and two girls. They practice after the varsity team from 4:00 to 5:30 every day. On October 17, the team played in Rosenberg, Texas. In March the team played in Katy. Jacques Ciblis made it to the quarter finals before finally being defeated. Spring Branch hosted a tournament on March 6. Two people from the J.V. team made it to the quarter finals Kwang Kim and Peter Manford. Kwang and Peter also traveled to Austin for a match and managed to make it to the first round before they were defeated.

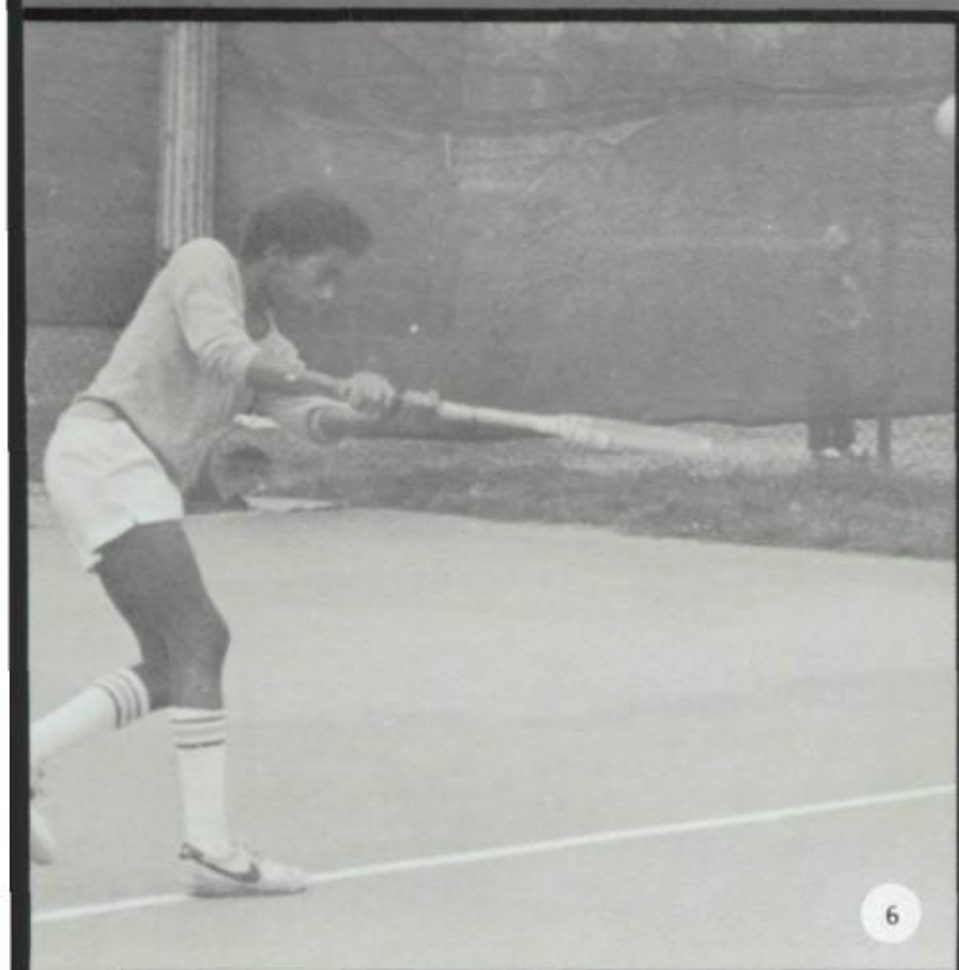


The J.V. team had six practice matches at St. Johns, Cy-Fair, Lee, Northbrook, and other schools throughout the city.

"There are many strong J.V. players that will be filling the shoes of the graduating seniors", said Coach Susan Hershey. "A couple of them are Kwang Kim and Jacques Ciblis."

"The foreign exchange student we had this year, Laurent Cardo, helped out the J.V. team by being a very strong and versatile player," Coach Hershey said.

1. Junior Nathan Sims tries to act 'cool' after beating his opponent. 2. One of the highlights of the tennis season was the faculty-student tennis match, starring Coach Turnbough. 3,4. Kwang Kim shows how to hit a forehand shot. 5. Junior Varsity tennis team: Jaques Cibils, Nathan Sims, Peter Manford, Ricky Raske, Lamont Schofield, Laurent Cardo. Bottom row: Stacye Willburn, Lindsey Murphy, Kwang Kim. 6. Lamont Schofield gets in a good back hand to save the ball. 7. Tennis coach Susan Hershey spends her office hours here.





SENIORS





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 Gary Anderson
 Joel Andrews
 Betsy Arnold
 Alicia Babbitt
 Karen Bailey

Bill Bailey
 Gretchel Banks
 Jenny Barnett
 Byron Barnfield
 Bill Barron
 Maggie Bartak

Pat Bayley
 Vicki Beale
 John Beeman
 Tim Beisert
 Ted Benson
 Patrick Bernard

Tracy Bihl
 Diane Bissett
 Mike Bodak
 David Bogle
 Richard Bolton
 Leanne Bott

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 Mary Brannaka
 Jason Bridges

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 Sherry Buck
 Steven Bulitt

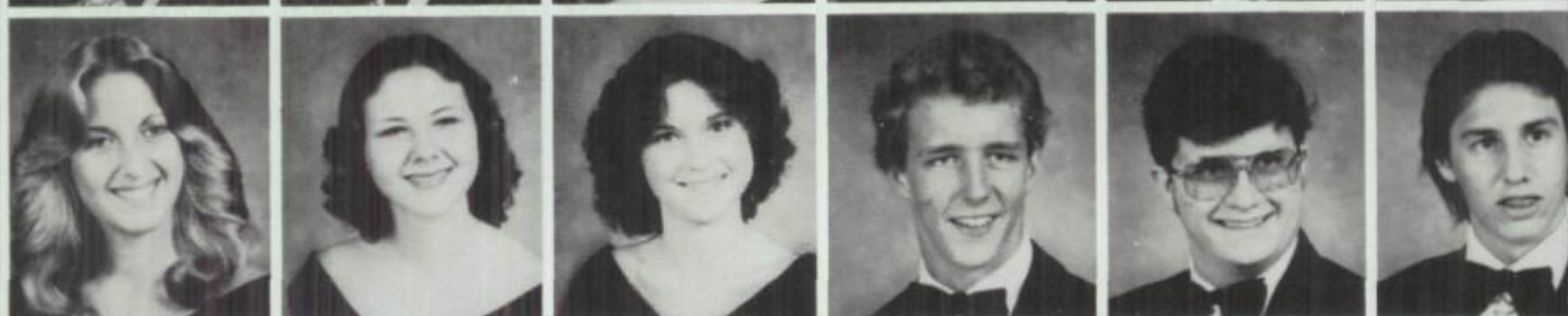
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 Bobby Clark

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Ellsworth Coleman
Natali Collins
Tracey Colwell
Boyd Conaway
Carol Conrad



Carol Cook
Trena Cook
Johnna Corcoran
Dale Cossey
John Craig
John Crane



Cari Creel
Bryan Culbertson
Mike Currens
Jeff Danbitis
Kent Davidson
Allan Davis



Edie Davis
David DeVora
Joel Dickens
Phyllis Dittich
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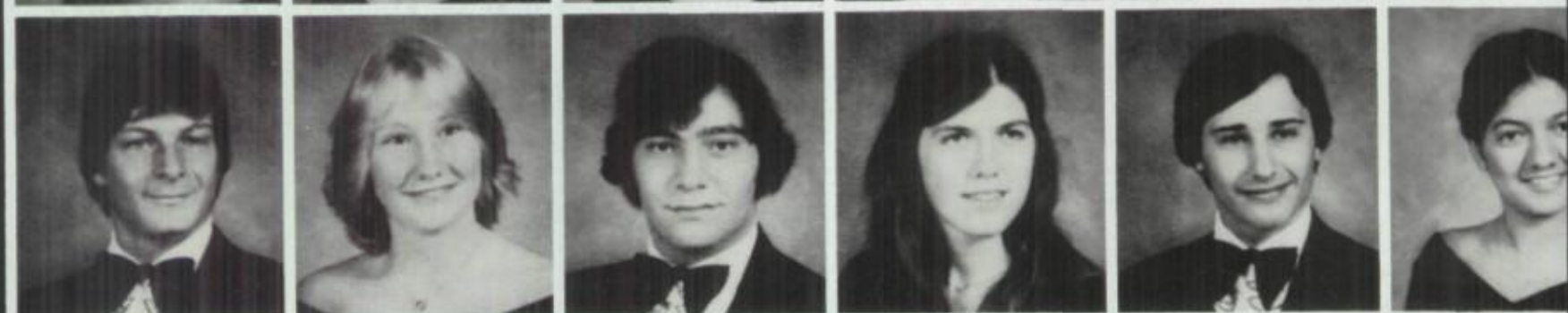
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Donna Evans



Judy Evans
Lisa Evans
Donna Evers
Julia Farris
Ioanie Ferguson
Patti Flint



Troy Fogarty
Sharla Frame
Tony Frascona
Renee Freeland
Tim Gagner
Manisha Gandhi



Ripley: Active, Thoughtful

At 18, Charles Ripley displays thoughtfulness and understanding beyond his years. He also exhibits a diversity of interests and talents.

Charles, an honor student, feels he owes much to his parents.

"An education has to begin at home at an early, early age," Charles said.

"I always had a word in everything, and we were always treated equally. It made me mature more quickly in some areas where I needed to mature. My parents basically instilled a desire to learn."

Charles, a senior who is very active in school-sponsored activities, is president of International Thespian Society, vice president of National Honors Society, and a member of Mu Alpha Theta. Most of his time goes into I. T. S.

"I'd have to say drama is the thing I enjoy most. I put a lot into it, but I get a lot out. I started drama as a freshman. I got interested when I took a speech course in junior high. A part of it that I've really enjoyed is mime."

Charles has been able to use his other talents in drama.

"I've been able to use my artistic ability in designing many of the sets," he remarked.

When asked what he admires most in a person, Charles responded:



"I like to see someone who is willing to explore new ideas."

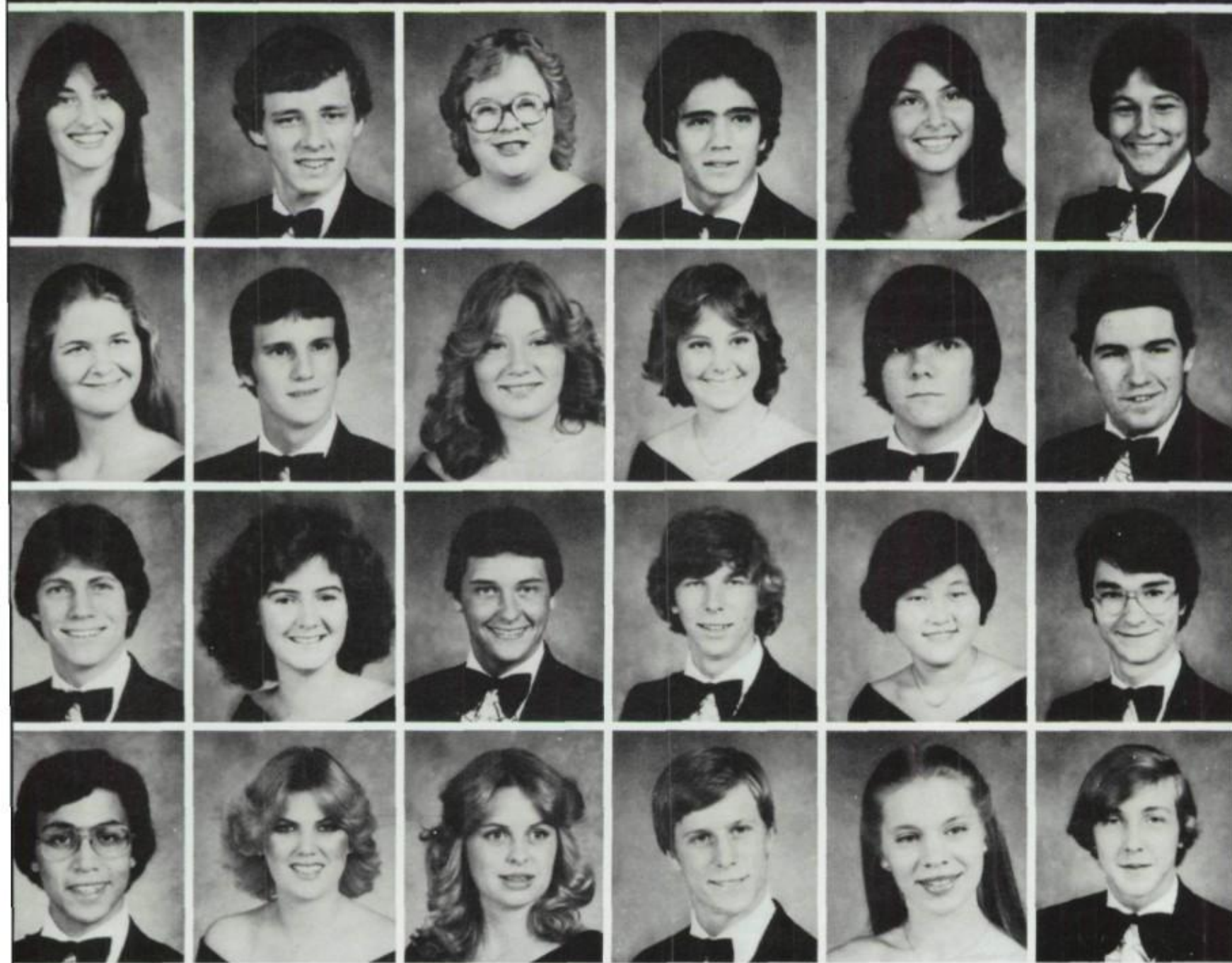
Charles has been described by his friends as being logical, responsible, and very thoughtful.

"There's nothing bad about him. Even his bad points are good. I'm just wild about him!" exclaimed Barbara Ramage.

Charles will be going to college next year, but he has no definite school in sight, nor any other long term plans for the future.

"I don't know yet if I want to go into fine arts or dramatic arts, or maybe go into something more structured like medicine, architecture or engineering.

-Patti Flint-



Dolores Garcia
Danny Garrelts
Terri Garrison
John Carsaud
Kathy Garza
Marcus Gaspard

Kari Gibson
Steve Gillie
Connie Goff
Kerry Graham
Todd Graham
Dwayne Grayson

JW Green
Lauren Green
Terry Griffith
Norman Gruetzner
Jin Ham
Darryl Harris

Maan Hashem
Jo Hatcher
Lenora Heath
David Hebert
Monica Hedding
Bruce Heinrich

Ario Helmy
Peter Hernandez



Ramon Hernandez
Teresa Hernandez



Carol Herstein
Mae Herstein



Paige Hewitt
Brian Higgins



Nancy Hobbs
Lonnie Hodges



Karen Holmes
Glenn Holub



Lisa Huddleston
Risa Huebel



Maria Huerta
Vance Hunt



Jernigan 'Pays Price,' Finishes Season On Top

Senior Gibb Jernigan, tailback and defensive corner for the Bears finished the season as the district's top scorer and rusher. In recognition of his outstanding achievements, he received various awards including Most Valuable Player for Spring Branch, the Landrum Award, First Team All-District, and Second Team All-Greater Houston.

"It feels good!" said Gibb about his awards. "I was really surprised, and very happy! I really didn't expect it. I was shaken and got very emotional!"

Gibb, who has been playing football for about 11 years, gives a lot of credit to his coaches. "The coaches usually have respect for us. That's very important."

Gibb feels that there is a special attitude towards football players. "I think football is a sport that people look up to because it's a hard sport and you've got to work *hard* to be good at it!"

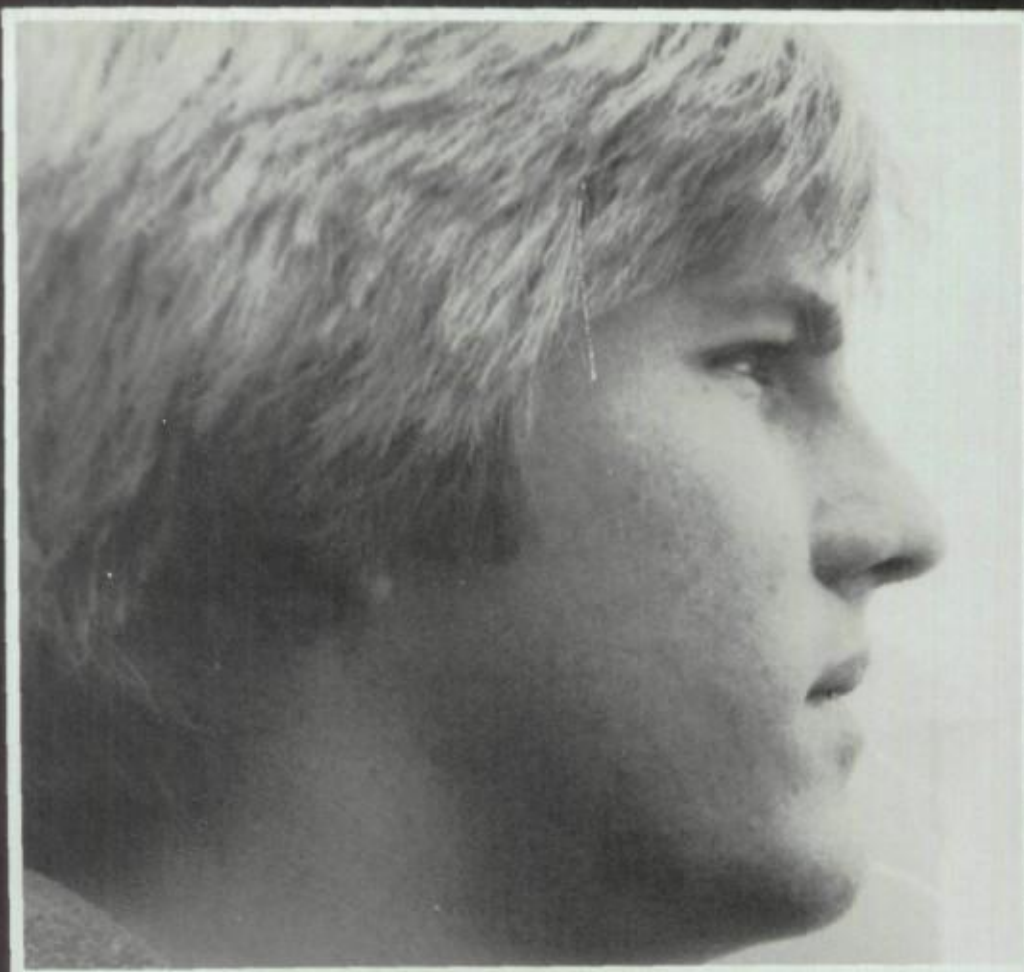
Gibb feels that, in football, one has to "pay a price" to play. "Football is a year-round sport. It takes a lot of hard work to stay in shape. It even takes up most of your summer! To be able to work hard at football and at the same time work hard to keep your grades up is another hard thing! When you go home from football practice, you're usually too tired to study!" Gibb maintains a "B" average.

Gibb commented that there is a strain before each game, too. "I'm very nervous before a game because I start thinking about how good the other team is and how good I have to be in order to play well. But I can usually get myself real excited!"

Gibb concluded his interview by stating that he does plan to continue playing football in college. He "seriously doubts" that he will pursue football as a professional career, though.

"I haven't really decided what I'd like to do for a career. I think I'd like to be a doctor."

-Jane Quinn





Eric Ichon
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Karen Jefferson
Brandon Jeneweit
Andrea Jensen

Freddie Johns
Arthur Johnson
Mark Johnson
Robert Johnston
Tanis Jordan
LaDonna Jozwiak

Kurt Juergens
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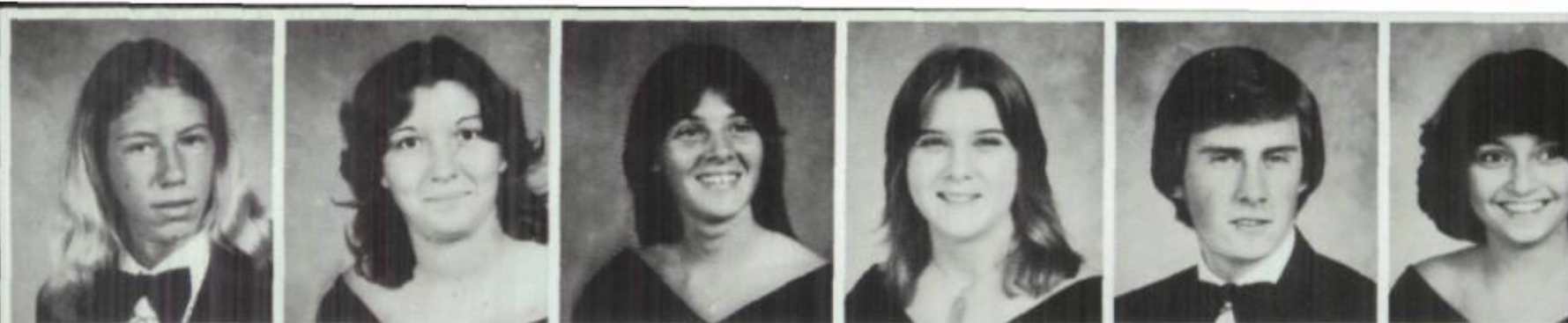
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John Lawrence

Cheryl Leitko
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Monica Lopez

Dana Love
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Al Mayo
Mirta Medina



Tina Meigs
Tony Mendizabal
Jerry Meza
Barbara Mikeska
Raymond Mikeska
Becky Miner



Rita Mitchell
Darlene Mitschke
Roxanne Mlcak
Veda Montalbano
Lisa Montz
David Moody



In Moon
Dana Moore
Bill Morgan
Heather Mousseau
Kirk Mouton
Kim Mozingo



Girls A Challenge To Hernandez

Ramon Hernandez would rather switch than fight. Ramon shocked friends, fellow athletes, and coaches by leaving his position as athletic trainer for the male athletes at Spring Branch High to assume similar duties with the female

athletes. Many of the male athletes were in agreement with Kyle Todd's statement, "We need him more than the girls do!"

Laughing, Ramon explained why he made the big switch. "It was always the same sport! The girls were a challenge, something new! I hadn't worked with girls before; I'd *done* boys' track!"

Ramon's summers are spent taking courses in athletic training, where he learns better techniques in taping and more about the anatomy.

He says the reason he's so interested in athletic training is because he wants to keep others from suffering as he did from an unfortunate football accident in his freshman year. The accident forced him to retire from all sports.

One of the few courses in school that Ramon enjoys is science. He plans to go into the field of medicine as a physician or, more specifically, a coronor. He has been offered a partial scholarship to attend Texas A&I University, as an athletic trainer.

Another of Ramon's pastimes is poetry writing. A sample of his poetic talent follows:

DAYS GONE BY

Alas, a new day appears,
Our lives begin as they have begun
in the past,
And so will continue to begin for as
long as we wish,
Days will appear even after we're
gone,
We will see no more but our future
is there.
To live out their days and then to
Rejoin us once again,
Death does not part but only
separates,
Until we are one again,
We will not feel for death is loneliness
but never pain . . .
Once our day is gone, we are gone
from life . . .
FOREVER!

- Michelle Evans



Joel Munguia
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Kevin Murray
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Charles Myers
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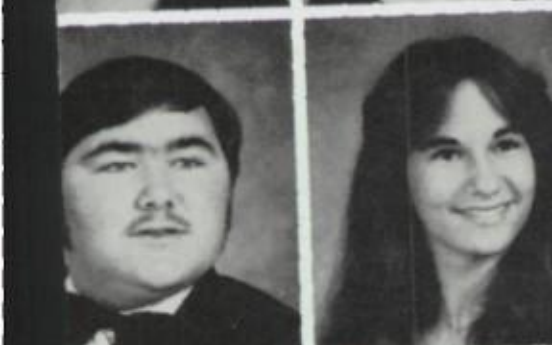
Mike Neiser
Patricia Nevarez



Roxane Mlcak, one of the most outstanding seniors in the Class of 1981, performs one of the various experiments done in the physics classes. Roxane, who ranks among the top ten students in the class, maintains a high academic average and participates in many extra-curricular activities. Among her activities, Roxane is the senior class secretary, the president of the National Honor Society, and the Choir secretary. She is also a member of Mu Alpha Theta and a twirler in the Bear Band.



Susan Ngyuen
Thuc Nguyen
Tuoi Nguyen
Donna Nixdorf
Gary Noel
Jennifer Novak



Jessy Odom
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Kippie Paradoski
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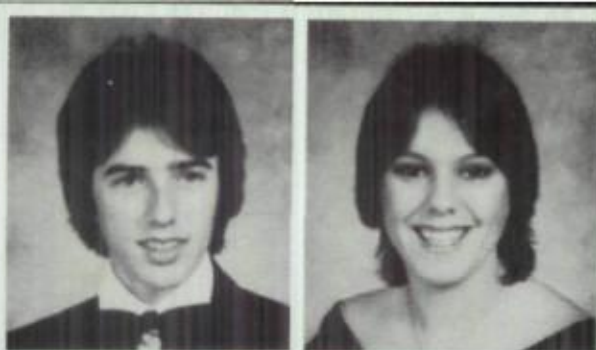


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Paul Pederson
Corina Perez
Heather Perry
Theresa Peyrefitte
Bruce Pfaff
Lowell Phillips

Scott Pitney
Angela Pitre



Tom Plagens
Renee Plengemeyer



Mike Plummer
Becky Poe



Tim Poe
Bryan Port



Joe Prendki
Isabel Presas
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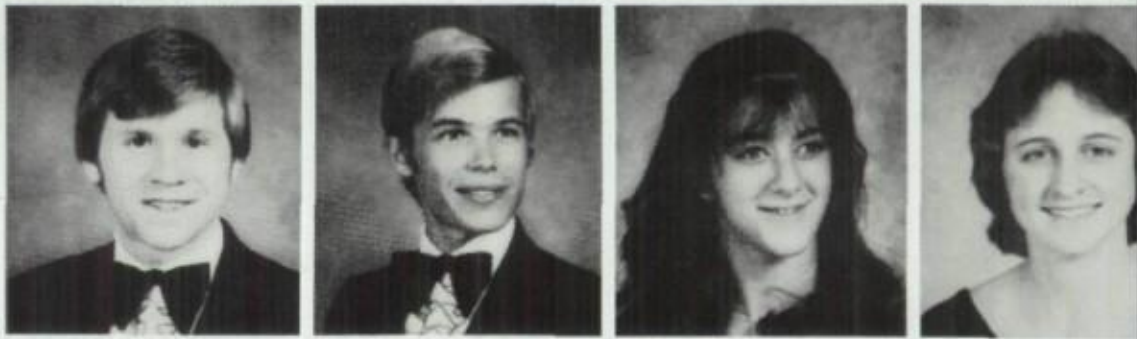
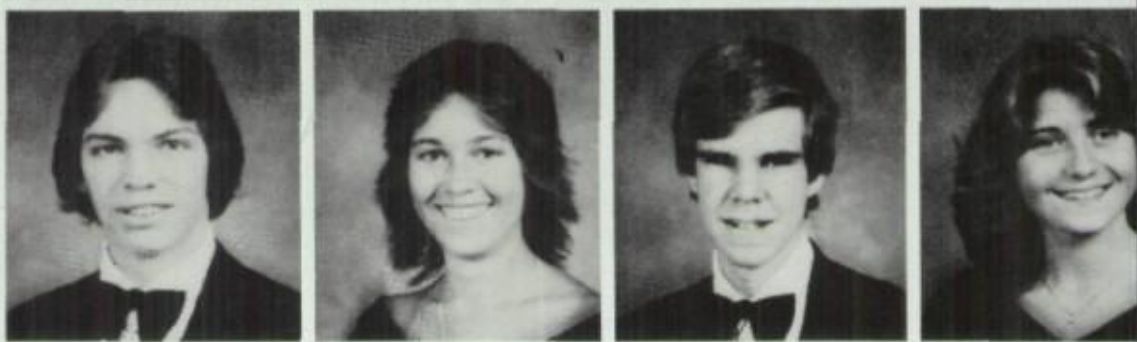
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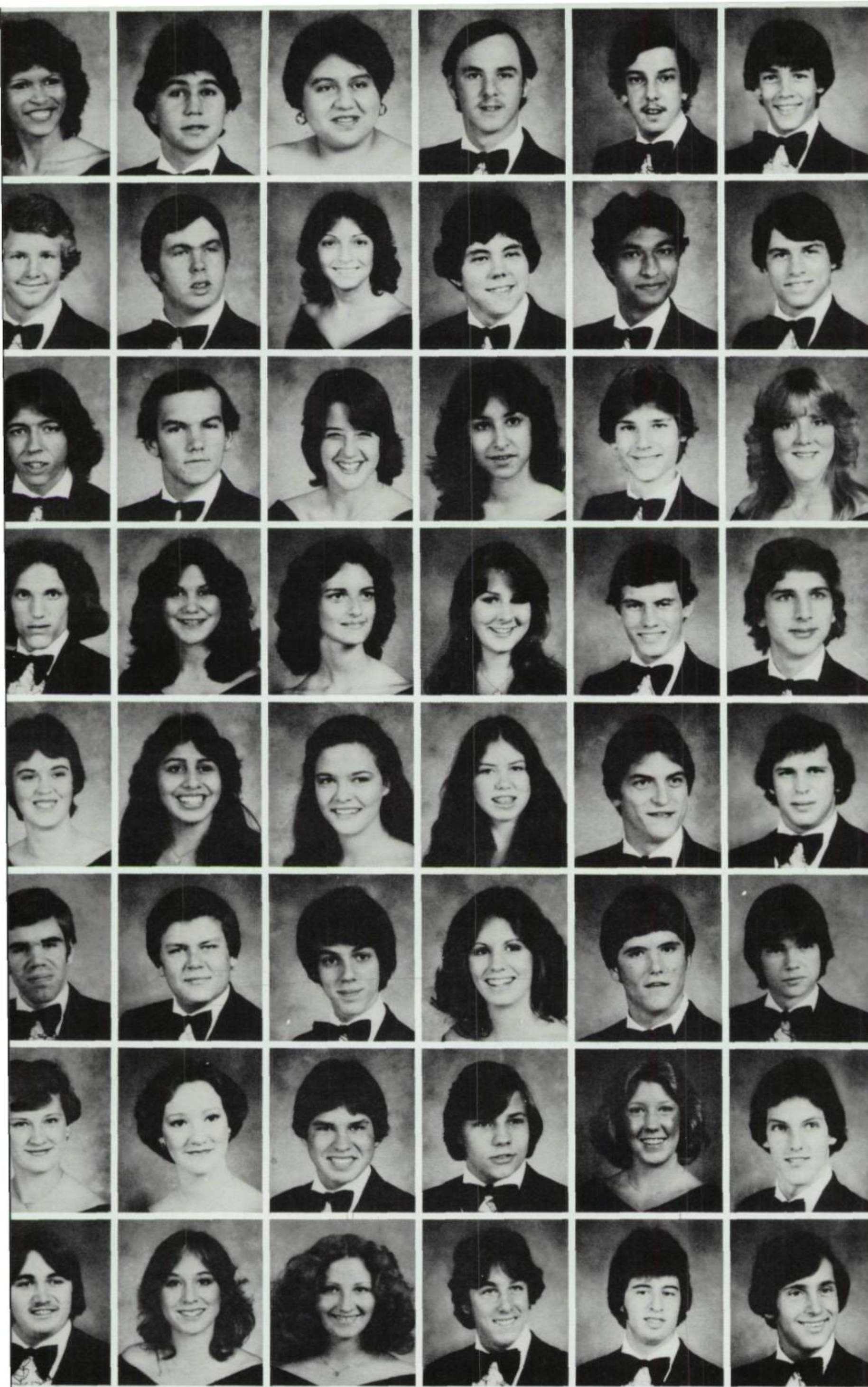


Glenn Rose
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Gary Sablatara
Gigi Saltzman



Donna Evans, executive vice-president, was voted by her classmates to be the 1980-81 Homecoming Queen. In December, she was also voted by her classmates to be the 1980 Snow Queen. Marty Shofner, Donna's escort to the Homecoming, was voted to be the 1980 Snow King.





Franca Sanchez
 Rod Sanchez
 Veronica Saused
 Mark Sawyer
 Richard Schkadi
 Tim Schoenstein

David Schuller
 Stan Scott
 Tina Sebesta
 Joe Shackett
 Rusty Shelton
 Arif Sheikh

Marty Sholner
 John Short
 Carrie Shugar
 Annie Sierra
 Greg Simank
 Julie Simmons

Terry Simpson
 Mary Kay Sklar
 Cindy Smith
 Stacy Smith
 Thomas Smith
 David Smoch

Tammy Soloman
 Erminia Sosa
 Brenda Spangenh
 Christy Spraggins
 Clay Spriggs
 Charles Stafford

Mitch Stansbrey
 Todd Stardig
 Chip Stewart
 Kim Stinson
 Curtis Stockton
 Brad Stovall

Dayle Stringer
 Denise Sumrow
 Danny Swonke
 Joe Tauriello
 Rhonda Tawater
 Chris Taylor

Kenny Tear
 Tina Tellez
 Denise Tester
 Bob Thomas
 John Thompson
 Tommy Tilotta

Kyle Todd
Edison Toquico
Stacy Trammel
Nga Tran
Chris Treygig
Mike Treybig



Lan Truong
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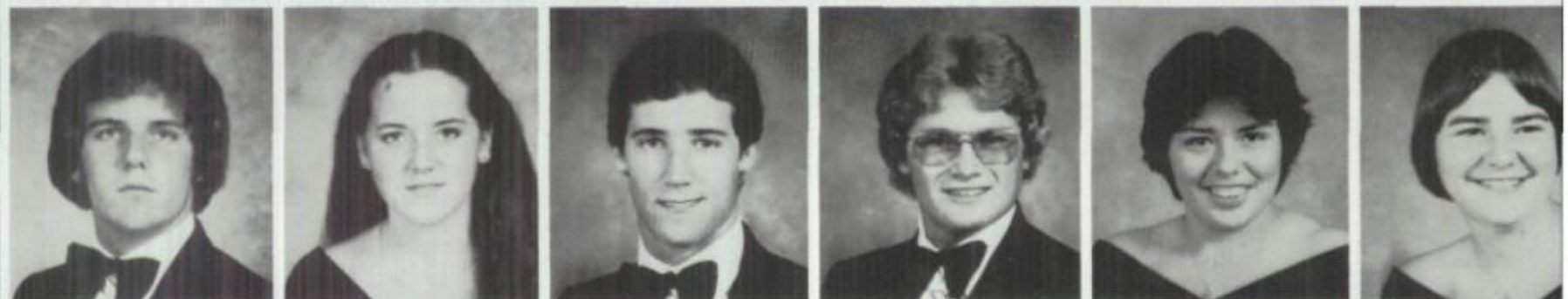
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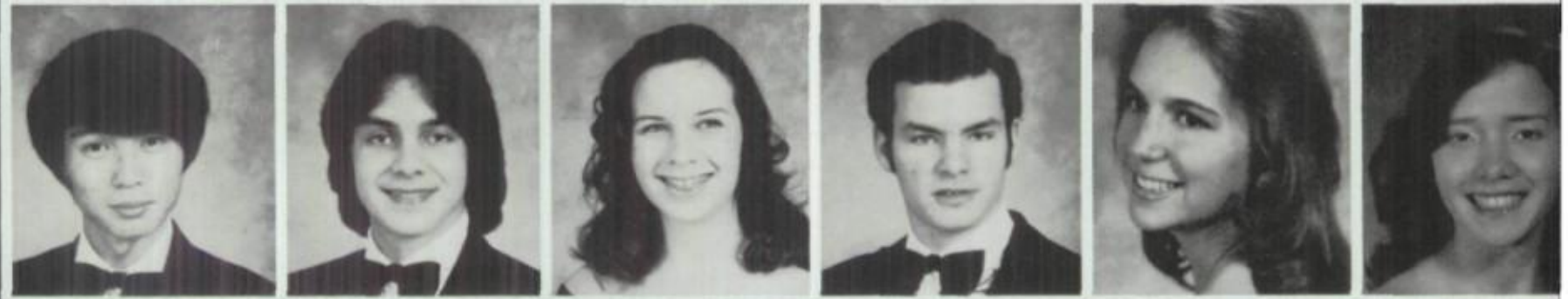
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Byong Yu
Steve Zak
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Ricky Zophi
Elizabeth Franklin (1980)
Grace Villarreal (1980)





Iris Colson
Ronald Dorman
Lori Hebert
Mary Held
Rebecca Huerta
Gibb Juernigan

Lisa Lange
Debbie Myers
Alixé Rifle

Class Of Eighty-One Has Two On Top

"I always wanted to be first in my class," said Paul Pederson, 1981 co-valedictorian.

Paul is in the symphonic band and plays a section leader. He is also a member of the all-area band.

After advancing to German V, he speaks the language fluently. He is also a German dancer with the Rathkamp Folk Dancers. The group performs at such festivals as the Oktoberfest annually.

Also, Paul is the president of his youth group at Saint Marks Lutheran Church, where he attended school when he was younger.

Paul feels that his academic success is due to a lot of luck. "Many students are just as qualified as I. I just took the right combination of classes, I guess!"

Paul's college plans include the University of Texas or Emory College in Atlanta, depending on which school has a scholarship for him.

His career goals include a master's degree in math and maybe a doctorate.

"I want to do something interesting when I get out into the world," declared Paul. He added, "I may go into teaching. I would also like to travel. I want to go to Europe, preferably Germany. Maybe I will get a chance to study overseas."

Andrea Jensen, the other 1981 valedictorian, is a girl with high standards.

When asked how it felt being number one in her class, she said, "It feels good. It's an interesting situation. I'm tied with Paul Pedersen. I don't want to win, but I *don't* want to lose!"

Andrea has many hobbies like cooking, sewing and music, but her favorite hobby is dancing.

"If I had longer legs, I think I'd like to be a dancer."

"I spent junior high thinking I wasn't any more intelligent than anyone else," Andrea said. Her mother was an English major and her father is an architect.

When asked her favorite class, she seemed reluctant to comment. "I like English because of the literature, and biology because my friends are in there and it's interesting."

Veda Admits Addiction!!

"I'm addicted to being active," said vivacious cheerleader, Veda Montalano. Typically, Veda, who was interviewed while she was running at the track, keeps moving.

When asked where she gets her "go," Veda said, "If I weren't active, I could be sitting at home getting fat!"

Veda's favorite sport is softball, which she has been playing for about ten years. Last summer Veda was in eight softball tournaments and was on the first place team, the Spring Branch Bombers.

Also, Veda enjoys competitive track and volleyball, which she played in her freshman, sophomore, and junior years.

Even though Veda lives in Katy, she drives to and from Spring Branch high everyday.

"After I made cheerleader, I just had to return!" she said.

She added that she would like to be a cheerleader in college. She has been accepted by Texas A&M University. However, A&M does not have male cheerleaders at present, so she said she may decide on another school.

Veda enjoys going to the beach, swimming, waterskiing, and people who are optimistic about themselves.

"I hate gossip, people who go out of their way to impress other people, and people who judge others without even knowing them!" she said.

— John Stilwell



JEFFERY ALLEN
DE, historian, reporter.

JOEL ANDREWS
CVAE.

BETSY ARNOLD
FHA, FSA, Chums, Student Council.

ALICIA BABBITT
NHS, Brigade, top sarg.; asst. drum major.

BILL BAILEY
Basketball.

KAREN BAILEY
Band, Jets, German Club, NHS, MAO.

GRETCHEL BANKS
Track, FHA, FSA, VOE.

JENNY BARNETT
FHA, Chums.

BYRON BARNFIELD
Band, MAO.

BILL BARRON
Football, Industrial Arts.

MAGGIE BARTAK
German Club.

PATRICIA BAYLEY
Track, NHS.

VICKI BEALE
Track, Cross Country, FCA, pres.; Chums.

JOHN BEEMAN
Chorale, OEA, parliamentarian.

TIM BEISERT
Football, Track, Student Council.

RICHARD BENNETT
ICT.

PARTICK BERNARD
Band.

TRACY BIHL
FSA, VOE.

DIANE BISSETT
FSA, sec, Basketball mgr.

MARY BLANKENSHIP
Choir, French Club.

MIKE BODAK
Bearkeepers.

LEANNE BOTT
FHA, MAO, Chums.

KATHLEEN BOWEN
Brigade, FHA, Bat Girl.

HILDE-MARIE BRANAES
AFS.

ROBIN BROOKS
Swim Team, capt.; FCA, MAO, NHS, German Club, historian.

JANET BROPHY
Brigade, drum capt.; AFS, public.; Choir, FSA.

EDWIN BROWN
CVAE.

SHERRY BUCK
Brigade, Chums, OEA, sec.

STEVEN BULLITT
Band, pres.; Orchestra, Chorale, v-pres.; German Club, MAO, NHS, treas.

STEVE BUNCH
German Club, Bear Facts, co-ed.

VINCE CANDELARI
Track, Cross Country, Jets.

VERONICA CARTER
FHA, Student Council, Bat Girl.

KAREN CASE
Chorale, Jets, Band, sweetheart; MAO, NHS.

ANNA CERDA
French Club, v-pres.; AFS, NHS, Chums.

CRAIG CHAPPELL
Football, Basketball, Student Council, soph. v-pres.; Bruin.

MARCELLA CISNE
Spanish Club; Chums; AFS.

ROBERT CLARK
Band, v-pres.; Jets.

CHARLES CLEVELAND
ICT, v-pres., pres.

ROBINA COLE
Track

NATALI COLLINS
FHA, hist, public., v-pres.

TRACEY COLWELL
Swim Team, French Club, FCA, FHA.

CAROL CONRAD
Chums, FHA, HECE, sec; VOE, hist.

JOHNNA CORCORAN
HECE; Chums; FHA.

CAROL COOK
Brigade, lieut., asst. drum major, NHS, FHA.

TRENA COOK
Volleyball, OEA.

DALE COSSEY
German Club, MAO, TIASA, treas.

BRYAN CULBERTSON
Industrial Arts.

EDIE DAVIS
AFS, FHA, NHS, MAO, Latin Club, sec.

DAVID DEVORA
Football, Bear Mascot, FTA.

JOEL DICKENS
Football, FCA, NHS.

PHYLLIS DITTRICH
Volleyball, Student Council, rep., exec. treas., FHA, Chums, pres.

SUSAN DONALDSON
Tennis, Basketball, Chums.

RONNIE DORMAN
Football, FCA.

LORI DRAIN
HOSA, rep.; Chums.

JENNIFER DRASTATA
Swim Team mgr.; FHA, NHS, sec.; Student Council, Chums, v-pres.

STEPHANIE DREYER
Choir, VICA, FHA.

LOIS DRUMMOND
FHA, MAO, NHS.

COLLEEN ELLISON
Swim Team, Band, FHA, FCA, Chums.

SANDRA ELSNER
Chums, HOSA, FHA.

ANDY ERICSON
FFA, pres.

DONNA EVANS
Brigade, FHA, Chums, Student Council, se treas., exec. v-pres.

LISA EVANS
Track, French Club, Student Council, TIA

DONNA EVERS
Band, twirler, NHS, MAO.

DAWN EDWARDS
OEA, v-pres.

JULIA FARRIS
German Club, treas.; NHS, Chums.

JOANIE FERGUSON
Cross Country, FCA, Chums.

PATTI FLINT
French Club, FHA, AFS, Chums, Bearlac

TROY FOGARTY
Football, VICA, Industrial Arts.

TAMMY FOUST
VOE, rep.

SHARLA FRAME
Student Council, Chums, NHS.

TONY FRASCONA
VICA.

RENEE FREELAND
MAO, v-pres.; Jets, German Club, v-pr Orchestra, v-pres.

MANISHA GANDHI
Brigade, treas.; FHA, Thespians.

KATHERINE GARZA
Industrial Arts.

MARCUS GASPARD
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KARI GIBSON
Band.

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TINA SEBESTA GRAYSON
FFA, VOE.

JW GREEN
Golf.

LAUREN GREEN
Band, French Club, AFS, pres.

TERRY GRIFFITH
Football, Basketball, Baseball.

NORMAN GRUETZNER
ICT.

JIN HAM
French Club, AFS.

JULIA HARDY
Chums, Chorale.

DARRYL HARRIS
Choir, Drama, OEA, rep.

MAAN HASHEM
Cross Country, German Club, NHS.

NORA HEATH Tennis, Drama, FHA.	JAY KIM Track, Jets, MAO, Industrial Art.	LISA MONTZ Student Council, comm. per.; FHA; NHS; Chums; Choir, hist.
MONICA HEDDING MAO, Jets, NHS, FHA, Chorale, treas.	MELODY KING CVAE, sec.	DAVID MOODY Bearkeepers.
MARY HELD Orchestra, libr., sec-treas.; Chums, FHA.	LAURA KINKLE Band, French Club, MAO, NHS.	IN HUI MOON NHS, MAO, AFS, French Club.
BRUCE HERMES Baseball.	DANIEL KLAES DECA, rep., pres.	DANA MOORE GSL, TIASA, NHA.
RAMON HERNANDEZ Football, Track mgr, FCA.	MICHAEL KLANDER FFA.	BILL MORGAN Football, Track, Student Council, FCA, sec.
CAROL HERSTEIN Brigade; Cheerleader.	GEORGE KNAPO Football; NHS; MAO.	ISOBEL MURPHY Brigade, Cheerleader, Thespians, FHA.
MAE HERSTEIN Brigade, sarg., capt.; MAO.	DEBORAH KNOTT Brigade, capt., top sarg.; NHS.	KEVIN MURRAY FFA; TIASA, pres.
BRIAN HIGGINS Track.	JOHN KOENIG Baseball.	SHERREL MURRAY Band.
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KAREN HOLMES VICA.	KIM KUNKEL Chorale, pres.; Student Council, rep., sr. treas.; MAO; FHA; FSA; NHS, rep.; Chums, treas.	JOANNE McCOY VICA.
RISA HUEBEL Volleyball, Basketball, Chums.	JAMES KUTCHBACK Football, Baseball, FCA, treas; Jets.	MELANIE McDONALD MAO, FCA, FHA, Student Council, Track, Band, NHS.
MARIA HUERTA OEA, sec.; FTA, FHA.	TERRIE LANG VOE, v-pres.; OEA, pres.; FHA.	TRICIA McGOODWIN VOE; DE.
REBECCA HUERTA Chums, FHA, FTA, HECE.	DANNY LASWELL VICA.	DEBORAH McLEMORE VOE; FFA.
LISA HUDDLESTON Cross Country, Track, FCA, FHA, NHS, Student Council	CHERYL LEITKO VOE; DE.	SHIRLEY McNALLY Band, sec.
VANCE HUNT Football, FCA, NHS.	MONICA LOPEZ VICA.	LINDA NEILS Volleyball, Brigade, Chums, FHA, HECE, treas., pres.
ERIC ICHON French Club, Thespians, NHS.	DANA LOVE Chorale; Drama.	TONI NOBRA FHA.
KEN ISMERT Bearkeepers.	DANNY MAGALLANEZ OEA, v-pres.	JENNIFER NOVAK NHS, FHA, MAO, Chums, Student Council.
JAMIE JAMISON FFA, rep.	KAREN MARTIN DE; Bruin.	BLENDA OSBORNE OEA, treas.; Chums.
GIBB JERNIGAN Football.	MIRTA MEDINA Student Council; FHA.	BOBBIE PARSONS FHA, DE, treas.
ANDREA JENSEN French Club, pres.; Jets, NHS, MAO.	TINA MEIGS Chorale, FHA, AFS, FSA, Chums, Bat Girl.	TERRI PATTERSON Spanish Club, Student Council, HOSA, v-pres., MAO, FTA, pres., Chorale, Thespians, Chums, NHS.
ARTHUR JOHNSON Football, Basketball.	TONY MENDIZABAL Football.	MARK PATTON Band, Jets.
MARK JOHNSON Football, Track, NHS.	JERRY MEZA Football, Track, Cheerleader, VICA.	KAREN PAULSEN OEA, sec.; Chums.
TANIS JORDAN Band, libr.; FSA, pres.; FTA, FHA, NHS, AFS.	RAYMOND MIKESKA Football, Baseball, NHS, FCA.	JULIE PAVLICK Science Club, Chums, VOE, NHS.
LADONNA JOZWIAK Volleyball, Basketball, Chums, FSA.	BECKY MINER VICA.	TERRI PEDDY FFA.
KURT JUERGENS Football, Basketball, Track, NHS.	RITA MITCHELL VICA.	PAUL PEDERSEN Band; Orchestra; German Club, pres., v-pres.; MAO; NHS, chap.
PAUL KAPPLER Football, Baseball.	DARLENE MITSCHKE DE, hist.	ROLAND PEREZ Football; Track; FCA.
LAURA J. KELLY Brigade, Chums.	ROXANE MLCAK Band, twirler; Chorale, sec.; MAO; Student Council, rep., sr. sec.; Orchestra; NHS, pres.	THERESA PEYREFTTTE Swim Team; French Club.
LAURA L. KELLY Brigade, pres.; Track, Bat Girl, NHS, FHA.	VEDA MONTALBANO Student Council; Cheerleader; FHA; NHS; Track; Volleyball.	
NATHAN KELM ICT.	LEE MONTZ Football; Track; MAO.	

BRUCE PFAFF
Band, drum major; Track; Cross Country.

ANGELA PITRE
FHA, FSA, Chums.

TOM PLAGENS
Football, Basketball, Track, NHS.

RENEE PLENGEMEYER
FHA, Brigade, Chums.

MIKE PLUMMER
CVAE, FHA, Thespians, Cross Country.

BECKY POE
FHA, VOE, Chums

BRYAN PORT
NHS.

ISABEL PRESAS
OEA.

DEBBIE QUINN
Chorale.

JANE QUINN
Bruin, ed.; Student Council, FHA, AFS, NHS,
Chums, spirit leader.

BOB RAFFERTY
Chess & Wargames, pres.; Jets, VICA.

BARBARA RAMAGE
Tennis mgr, FHA; Jets, Thespians, Student Council.

WARREN READY
AFS, MAO.

ALIXE REIFEL
Band, flag capt., drum major; Jets, NHS, Orchestra,
MAO.

EVETE REIHANI
FHA, MAO, Brigade, Bear Mascot.

JENNIFER REINHARDT
Volleyball, Basketball, Chums.

MARIA RICO
Orchestra, treas., sec.; MAO, NHS, Jets.

RUBY ROJAS
Basketball, Flags, FHA, TIASA.

CHARLES RIPLEY
Thespians, pres., v-pres.; MAO, NHS, v-pres.; AFS;
Jr Engineering, sec.

KERRIN ROSENBAUM
Band, Flags, NHS, FHA.

MARK ROZNOVSKY
DECA.

JANET RUIZ
FSA.

GARY SABBLATURA
Basketball, Tennis, MAO.

GIGI SALTZMAN
VOE, pres.; FHA, AFS.

FRANCES SANCHEZ
FHA.

VERONICA SAUSEDA
HECE, FHA, Chums.

STAN SCOTT
Football, ICT.

DAVID SCHULLER
Football, Student Council, treas.

JOHN SHORT
VICA.

CARRIE SHUGAR
Basketball, Tennis.

JULIE SIMMONS
FFA.

MARYKAY SKLAR
Chums, FHA.

KEVIN SMITH
Tennis.

STACY SMITH
Student Council, Bear Facts; FHA.

DAVID SMOCK
TIASA, v-pres.

TAMMY SOLOMAN
OEA, rep.; NHS.

BRENDA SPANGENBERGER
Thespians, v-pres.; FHA, FTA, Mime Troop.

CLAY SPRIGGS
ICT, Football, Basketball.

CHARLIE STAFFORD
FFA.

TODD STARDIG
Choir, Cheerleader.

KIM STINSON
Brigade; Students Council, rep, sr v-pres.; HOSA,
v-pres.; NHS, FHA, MAO.

CURTIS STOCKTON
Football

DAYLE STRINGER
Brigade; NHS.

KOOK HWAN SUL
VICA.

DENISE SUMROW
Chorale, hist.; Swim Team; NHS; FSA; FCA;
Chums.

KEN SUPRENANT
Basketball.

RHONDA TAWATER
Brigade, lieut., drum major; NHS; FHA.

CHRIS TAYLOR
Track; Football; Student Council; NHS; MAO FCA.

TINA TELLEZ
Student Council, rep., exec. sec.; Cheerleader;
Brigade; Track; FHA; NHS.

BOB THOMAS
Swim Team; Diving Team

JOHN THOMPSON
VICA, pres.

TOMMY TILOTTA
Football; ICT.

KYLE TODD
Football, Baseball, MAO; NHS; Student Council,
pres., exec. pres.; FCA, Bruin.

STACY TRAMMELL
Volleyball; Brigade; Chums, FHA.

CHRIS TREYBIG
MAO; TIASA, NHS.

STEF VAN DYK
Tennis, NHS; MAO.

KELLY VAUGHT
Chorale, Chums, FHA.

GINA WAGNON
Brigade, FHA.

DEBBIE WAGGONER
FHA; FSA Chums.

DARRELL WAHUMUND
FFA, sentinel.

MARIANNE WAINWRIGHT
German Club, hist.; FCA, sec.; Swim Team; FHA;
Chums; Chorale; AFS; Bearfacts; Bruin.

DAVID WATSON
Golf.

DAVID WELLS
Football; Track.

PAUL WELLS
Football; Baseball; FCA, v-pres.; MAO; NHS.

MELANIE WHEAT
Volleyball; FHA; FCA; Chums.

CHRISTINE WILFORD
Student Council, jr v-pres., sr pres.; FHA; MAO;
sec.; Science Club; AFS; NHS.

KEVIN WILKINS
Football; Basketball; Baseball; CVAE.

TIM WILKINS
Football.

AMY WILLIAMS
Swim Team; FHA; FSA; Chums.

GLENN WILLIAMS
Football; Track; FCA.

BOYD WILLIAMSON
Football; Golf; FCA; Choir.

MARYANN WILSON
FHA; HOE.

THERESA WILSON
Volleyball; HECE.

WANDA WINKLER
Band, hist.; MAO; German Club; Bru; NHS;
AFS.

NANCY WOMAC
Brigade, top sarg.; FHA; FSA; Chums.

SHERI WOOLSEY
Brigade, sec.; Science Club; FHA.

JIMMIE WRIGHT
TIASA.

YOOMI-YIM
Tennis; MAO; NHS; French Club.

ROBIN YOUNG
HOSA, sec.

DANA YOUNGBLOOD
Football; Baseball; Cheerleader; FCA; NHS.

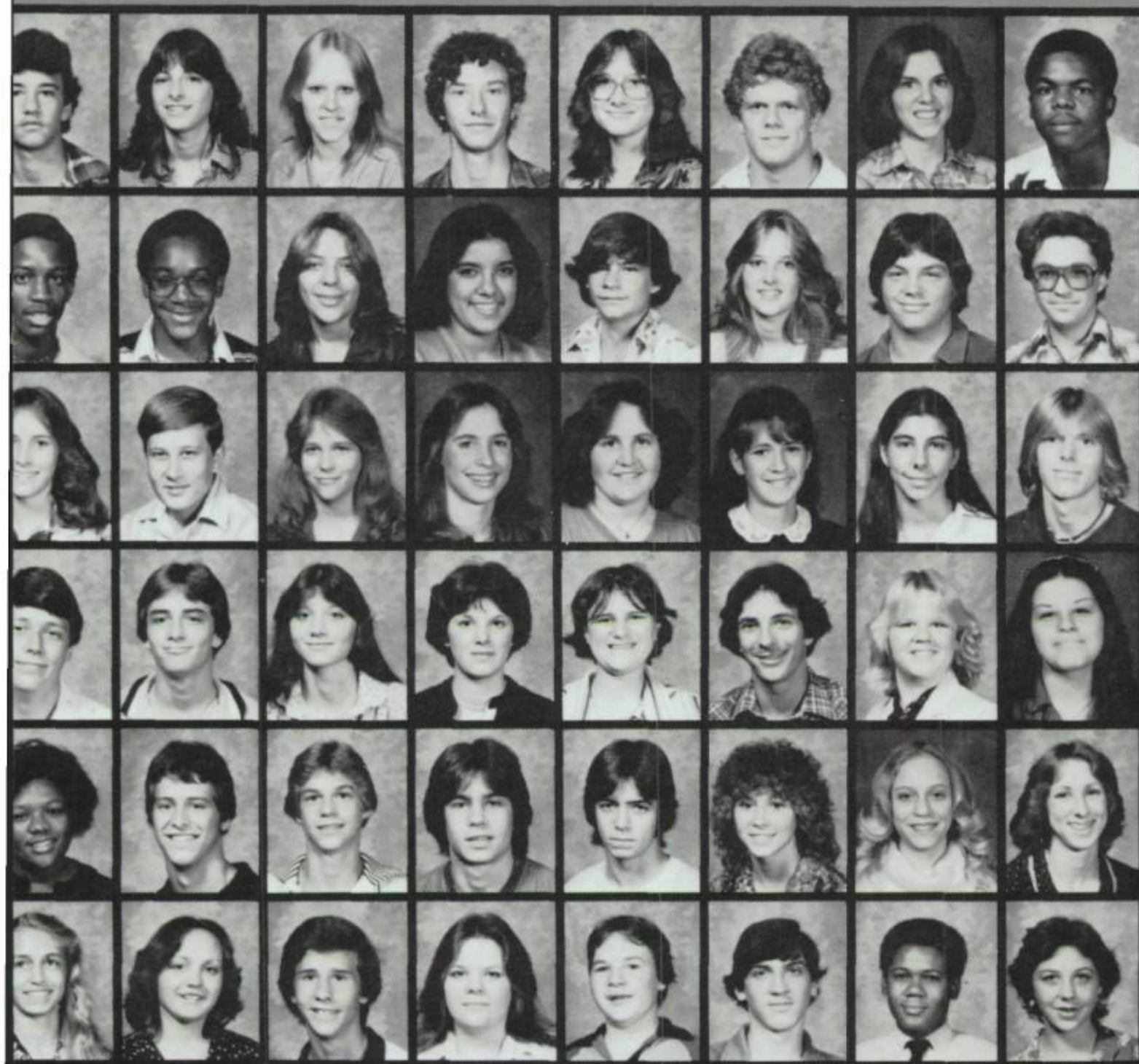
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Jets.

ELIZABETH ZEIGLER
Brigade, Drama, Volleyball; FHA.

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Dan Bradshaw
Annette Brady
Robert Breen
Collier Bridges
William Bridges
Regina Brooks



Garza Jumps Into Future

Cindy Garza, junior, has won first place in the country singing category in school talent shows since the eighth grade. For the past two years, she has been selected by the audiences as the best all-around performer.

"I hope to one day go to Nashville and be a singer," said Cindy. "I wish I could be like Crystal Gale!" Cindy sings a lot of Crystal Gale's songs, and she mentioned Loretta Lyn, Tanya Tucker, Charlie McClain and Barbara Mandrel as other favorites.

Cindy started singing when she was in the sixth grade, after learning to play the guitar. Singing on the Don Mahony and Gena Clare show was her first public appearance.

She explained that singing will always be in her future. This summer, Cindy and her band are planning to begin playing country and western music at dances and ballrooms.

- Barbara Mikeska

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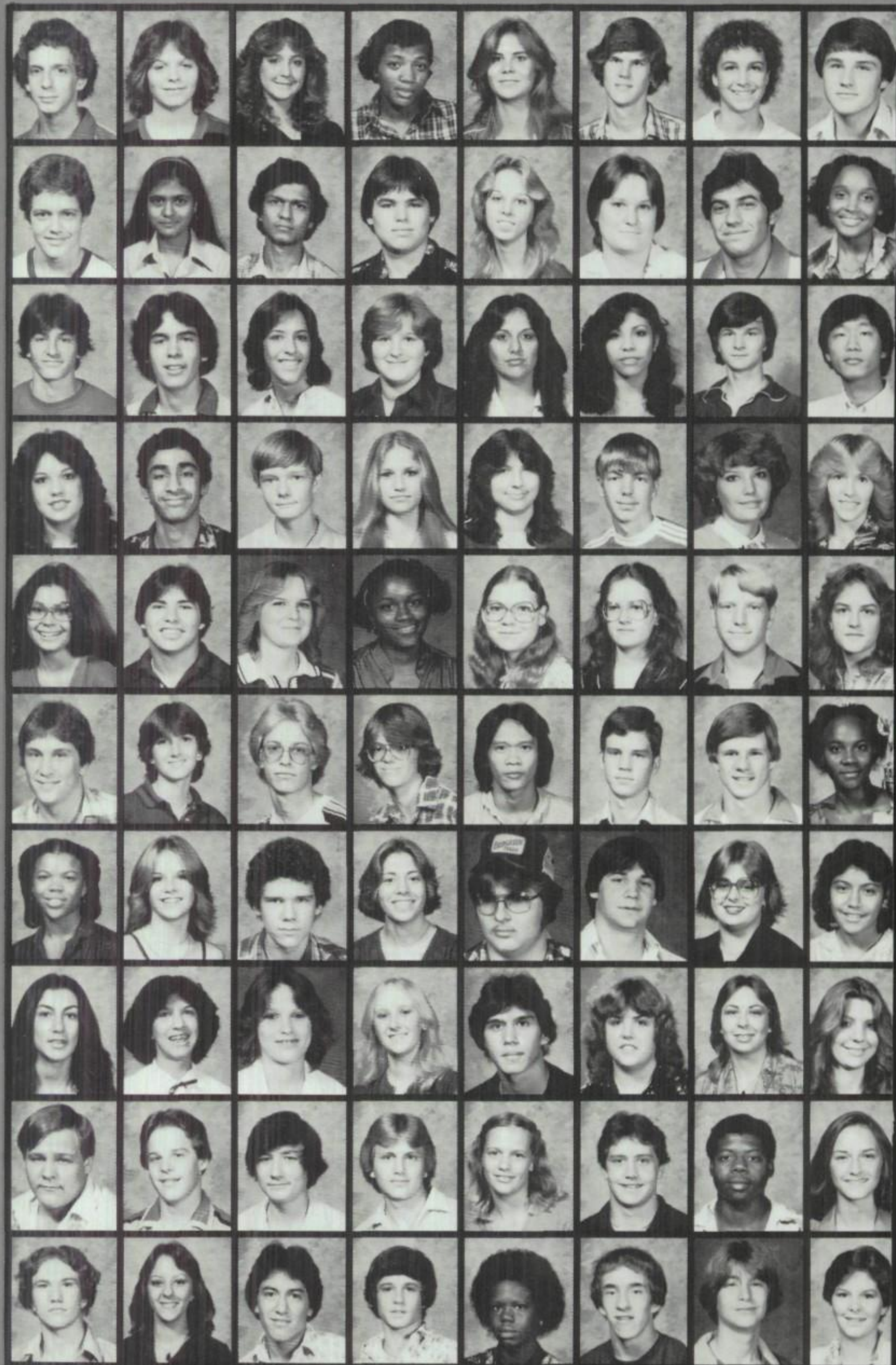
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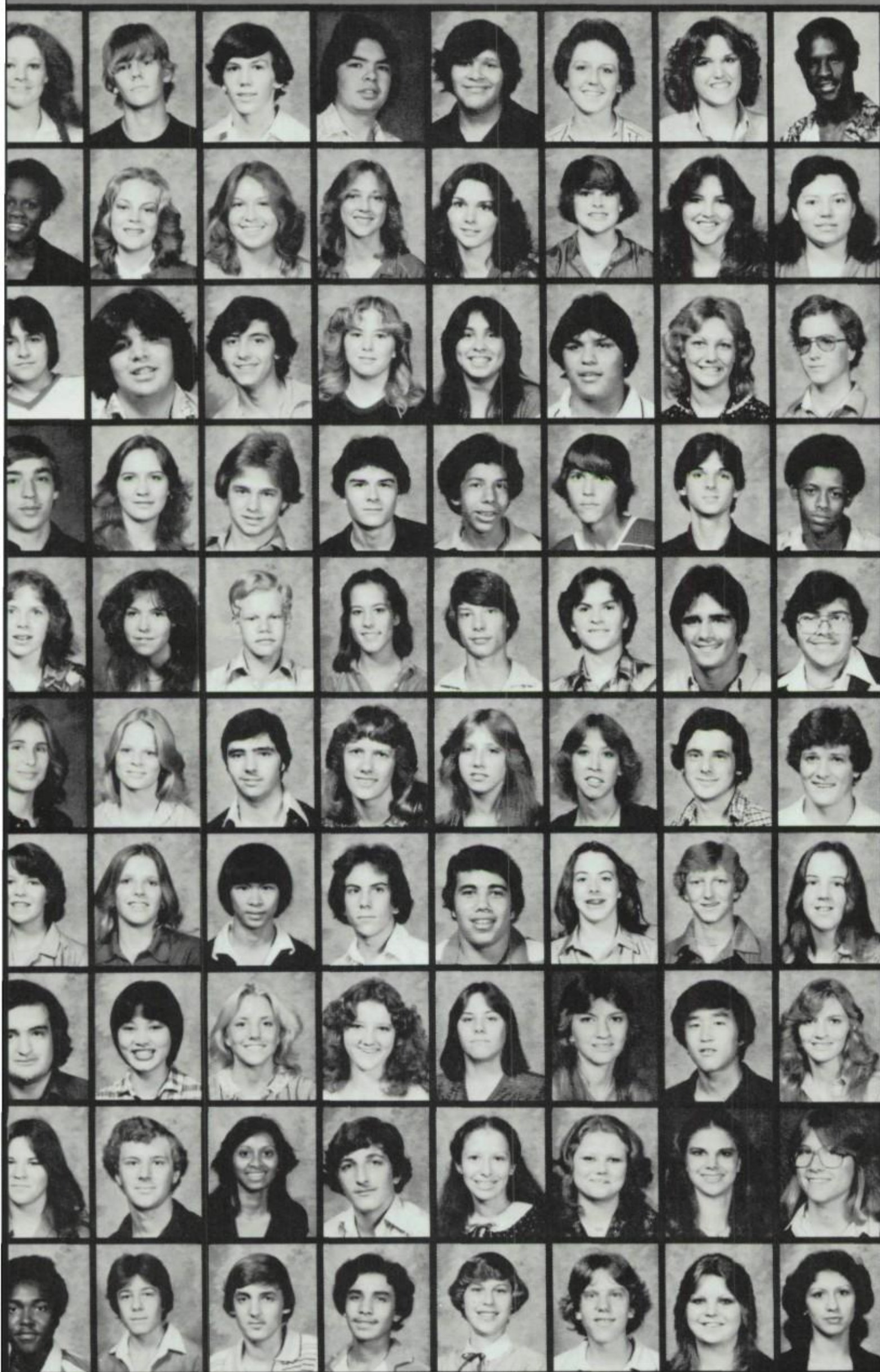
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Carol Kaufmann
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Staley Likes People

In order to get along in life, one must be able to associate and deal with people. Sydney Staley, junior, is confident and has a positive attitude when it comes to people. She feels that this is her strongest trait.

"I enjoy going to church because I have met a lot of new friends there," said Sydney.

While in Bruin Brigade, Sydney has been associated with many people. She has been in the Brigade for the past two years, in the position of lieutenant this year.

"Hopefully, I will be drum major next year," she said. The Brigade takes trips each year, and Sydney discussed the different kinds of people she met and observed during the group's recent trip to Acapulco.

"The beaches there were fantastic, but I saw a lot of poverty. It really made me appreciate all I have," she reflected.

Sydney has gained many lifetime friendships in Brigade.

"Friendships are the most important things in life to me," she continued.

Sydney loves to dance and thinks she might be a high school drill team teacher some day. "I think that it is a real neat feeling to get out on the field and dance," Sydney remarked.

— Kurt Juergens

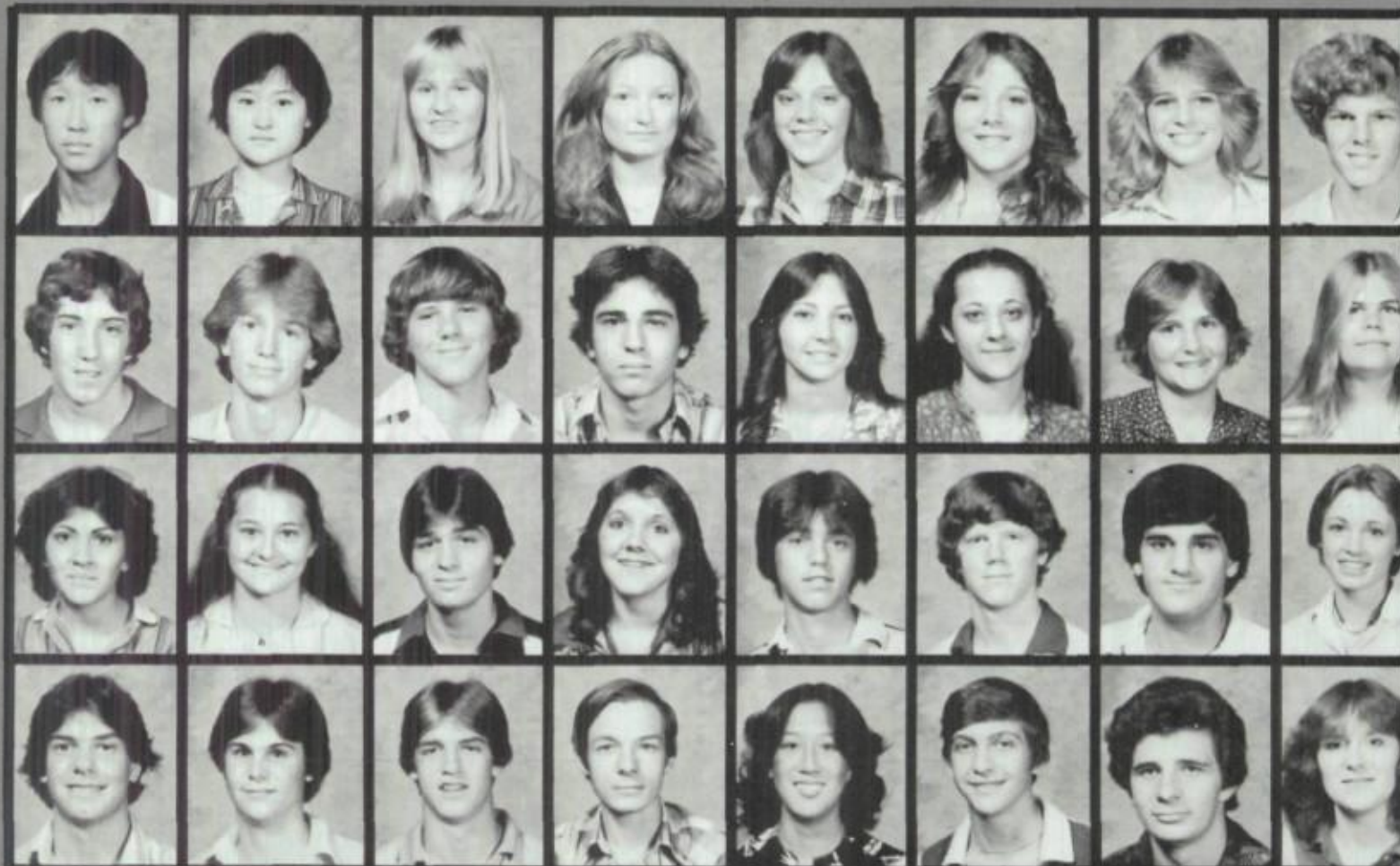


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Serena Morgan
Tammy Morgan
Mindy Morris
John Mubarak

Vincent Mueller
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Lindsey Murphy

Michael Murphy
Jackie Nacy
David Naleyo

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Nancy Nesmith
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Larry O'Dell
Brad Olds
Rocky O'Reilly



Kristine Clarridge reads an article in *Time Life* magazine about her favorite actor, Mickey Mouse.



Gaylynne Paris
Christine Panza
James Parr
Ricky Parris
Patrick Parson
Cindy Payne
Darryl Pearce
Dexter Pearce

Cindy Perez
Mark Perez
Sean Perry
Dinh Pham
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Loan Pham
Trang Pham

Lisa Phillips
Buzzy Pierce
Nathan Pierson
Roswita Pomper
Carla Rackel
Chithasang Rajavadee
John Randle

Shelly Ranne
Julie Palws
Mike Rayburn
Andy Reed
Richard Reed
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Irma Rice
Lillian Rice

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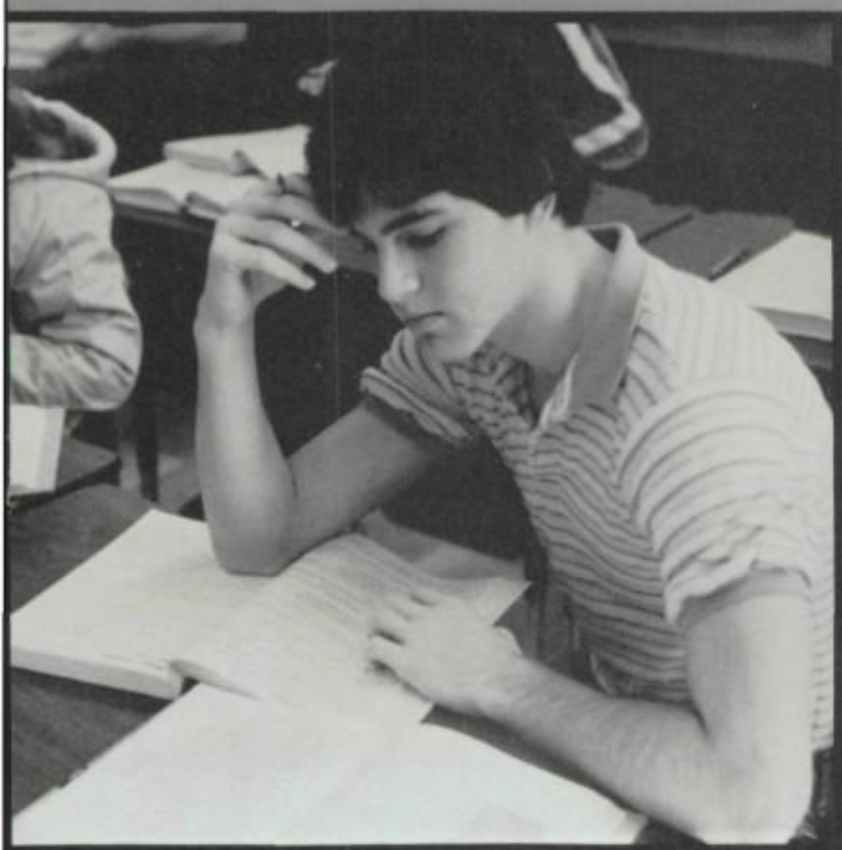
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Steve Sharrar



Christine Clarridge and Kris Rathkamp take a break from an interview to eat some of the good earth.



"Two books are better than one," thinks Warren Parker, junior.



Scott Shearer
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Dobbie Sherman

John Shull
Nathan Sims
Gary Simmons

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Lisa Sivley
Sara Sivyer

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Betsy Smith
David Smith
Kelly Spann
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Brenda Strubar
Sydney Staley
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Richard Tatum
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Kim Thielemann
Lori Thomas
Hatty Thompson
Robert Thompson
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Mary Todd

Kim Tooley
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Gary Tuck
Tom Urquhart
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BatLara Valentine
Mario Vasquez
Mike Vesmirovsky
Tammy Vienneau
Jay Villarreal
Teresa Wahrmond
Ricky Waitkus
Shari Walker

"America is the leader of the world," said Ahmed Chelbaya, Spring Branch junior.

Ahmed, whose father is the Egyptian consulate, has lived in Spring Valley with his family since August 10.

Since Ahmed went to private school in Egypt, he has had English classes since he was six. Pushing up his glasses, Ahmed explained the similarities between the Egyptian and American school systems.

"We don't move from class to class. The teachers come to us. A tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade student would take math, geometry, trigonometry, algebra, chemistry, biology, physics, Arabic, English, and gym."

According to Ahmed, a student in Egypt would take these same classes every year. They are 45 minutes long, and school lasts from 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

"It's very hard. After school we study so much. We don't have a test every week, though. We have them every month. But I like it better here — it's bigger."

Ahmed enjoys sports. In Egypt he and his friends would often go to an athletic club and play games like football, soccer, handball, and squash.

Ahmed hopes to go to the University of Texas. He has already prepared long-term goals for the future.

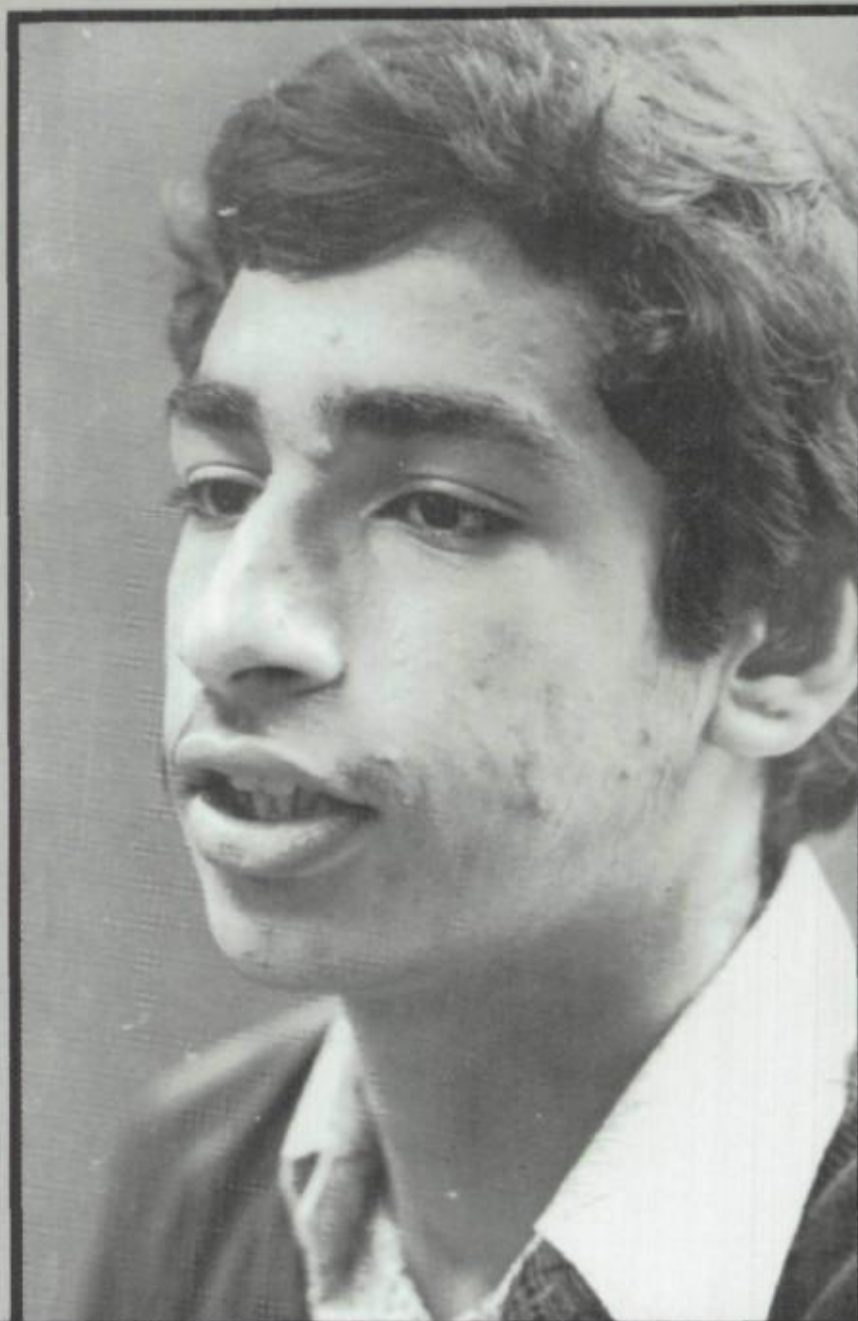
"I hope to study science. I want to be a diplomat like my father. I love his job very much. It's because I love political jobs, and I like to move around and see all different countries."

Ahmed is politically oriented and has made some future predictions.

"There will be a war in the future that will start in the Middle East, but I think the U.S. will be the hero," he said.

— Patti Flint

Student Calls America Leader Of The World



Cheryl Warmke
Parker Warren
Clay Warwick
Joy Waters
Simone Weaver
Sarah Webb
Joanne Weinzierl
Chuck Whitman

Charlotte Wickboldt
Robert Wiedemann
David Williams
Jerry Williams
David Wills
Charlene Wilson
Tony Windrey
Cynthia Windham

Jon Winn
Ricky Winn
Sanona Wisner
Kendall Witt
Janey Woldyla
Susan Wolfe
Tina Woodruff
Charlene Wright



Stevens Runs To Stay In Shape For Swimming

Sanns Stevens, junior, runs to stay in shape for swimming competition.

"I've been interested in swimming since I was a child. I didn't have time for a Dad's Club team so when I got to high school, I decided to get on the team here," Sanns said.

Sanns' main goal is to do a 59.0 in the 100 free and a 26.5 in the 50 free. Concerning her training for competition, Sanns said she runs for the first six weeks of school and then swims for a couple of months.

Sanns has been on the team for three years now and feels that it is rewarding. She plans to go to college but does not plan to continue swimming. Sanns mentioned softball as her favorite hobby. In her spare time, Sanns spends time with her best friend, Lisa Skuchko.

-Jody Schild

"He's In Front . . . He's A Winner."

ing my motorcycle makes me feel powerful," said Junior Kevin wantz, referring to his Yamaha YZ465, one of the many bikes he ridden during his seven years of motorcycle racing all over the

wantz, who has won 50 trophies, explained that the size of the orcycle determines a racer's rank for competing: novice, intermediate, or expert.

465 is made for going over rough terrain and jumps," said wantz, whose father also raced motorcycles when he was young. "The bike has lots of power and few maintenance problems."

wantz then discussed the costs involved with motorcycle racing. bike cost \$2600. Additional expenses include repairs, gasoline tires.

pecial racing clothes are important, both for protection as well as ing good," said Schwantz. He explained that pants cost about 0; boots, \$125, and helmets, goggles and gloves, \$100.

ponsors sometimes pay for the clothing accessories," explained wantz, who plans to run the family business, Hurst Supply, when graduates from college.

ways go for first, and sometimes win, but only when I don't fall. preparing for a race, I try not to get nervous. I go out there and he best I can."

wantz feels a racer's appearance is important to winning.

on't let other guys psyche me out because of their bikes. That's of the game — making yourself look scary. Fancy things like rims psyche out the other racers. So will new leathers and nets, things like that."

wantz said he always looks spotless.

mother washes my racing clothes every week. This is important ause guys start thinking maybe this guy is clean because he is ys in front. He's a winner."

-Gary Mitchell



Well-Rounded Student Shares Talents

Kim Thielemann is a bundle of energy, but she knows how to relax.

"My pastimes include playing softball, being outdoors, spending money, and just plain being around," Kim said.

Kim's contributions to Spring Branch High are impressive. This year Kim was Committee Person in Student Council, a varsity volleyball player, and a member of the National Honor Society.

After high school, Kim plans to major in Elementary Education at the University of Texas.

"I really like working with children" she said.

After college Kim plans to travel and see the world. "I plan to take a trip to Germany. That is if it works out with my softball schedule."

Sandy-blond haired Kim is a petite 5'4" but don't let that seemingly powerless exterior fool you. In her favorite sport, softball, Kim plays second, catcher or anywhere else she is needed.

Kim is also a high setter on the volleyball team. About her active lifestyle, Kim said, "Since I was young, I have enjoyed all sports."

With such a tight schedule, Kim doesn't have time to watch television, but she does like all kinds of music.

When asked what she is looking forward to next year, Kim said cheerfully, "I am looking forward to a winning volleyball team and being in the best senior class ever."

Kelli Vance



Student Ranks Band Number 1

"When it comes to school, I like seeing my friends, being in the band, and the feeling of accomplishment," said junior Laurie Finkelman. Her favorite class is band.

When asked what she plans to do after school, Laurie replied jokingly, "I plan to go home, take a nap and eat a snack. Actually I plan to go to Texas A&M to study biomedical science to be a veterinarian."

Laurie has many hobbies such as ceramics, softball, waterskiing. "In my spare time, I like to watch T.V., go out with friends, do homework, and play all kinds of sports." Some of the organizations Laurie supports are NHS, Mu Alpha Theta, GSL, Marching Band and Jets.

"I consider school important because it prepares you for college and college prepares you for the rest of life."

-Michelle Winters-

Mitchell Plans Careers In Writing, Politics

Although Gary Mitchell, junior, has had only two years of experience on a high school newspaper, and has had only one quarter of instruction in journalism I class, his work and his opinions of the journalism field equal those of professional journalists.

Gary said that he can remember having an interest in writing even in his childhood.

"I used to try to impress people, usually friends of my parents, with my writing. I thought I was writing great novels."

Gary stated that his interests have turned to journalistic writing.

"I'm interested in current events and writing. Put together, that makes journalism. Besides, I'd rather write about real things. I can't end stories or keep the continuity going."

He added that writing gives him satisfaction in knowing he can do something well. "I know I write well enough to be on my way to a career!"

When asked about his extremely positive attitude towards his abilities, Gary smiles and said, "If you can say to yourself 'I'm good enough,' then you have motivation and determination. If you're not sure, you don't necessarily belong in the field!"

Gary's own motivation and determination has already set him into the beginnings of a journalism career by being the editor of the BEAR FACTS.

According to Gary, Spring Branch High has a unique newspaper. "It's unique because it's the newspaper of the most original school in the district. Every school has high standards, but it's nothing like the prestige Spring Branch is supposed to have!"

Gary said that he definitely plans to continue in journalism through college, and then to pursue it as a professional career.

"I'm trying desperately to get into the University of Texas. I want to try and get the best background possible in Mass Communications. I also want to try and make a name there. I want to be able to move into a good job immediately after."

Gary has also done some thinking about his future career. He plans to go into the newspaper field, or possibly into magazine.

"I think I would enjoy a life like the life of Lou Grant as it is on TV!" he said with a smile.

Gary expressed some very strong feelings against the television media, saying that he feels it is too commercial and ratings are its top priority, not reporting the news.

"TV news seems to glorify people and subjects, and make them more dramatic than they should be. I've also heard, on a radio interview, that a lot of TV news is just 'filler' because they have to fill up the network time!"

With a broad smile, Gary stated that he wanted to make an impression in the journalism field. "Hopefully someday, I'll do something good enough to be recognized by my contemporaries; maybe even something that will revolutionize the field!"

He added, "For me journalism will be a career, but it'll be a stepping stone into bigger things, like politics."

Gary said that he can't actually put his finger on what interests him about politics.

"It just appeals to me!" he said with a shrug. He added that his interest probably stemmed from his interest in organizing and leading things.

- Jane Quinn



Gary Mitchell's time is divided among his duties as editor of the *BEAR FACTS*, Drum Major for the marching band, K classes, and an outside interest in politics.

Kaufmann Suggests Students Work Together For Peace

"If I could change anything about me, I would like to be able to improve my concentration abilities and be a straight 'A' student in 'K' classes. That would be a significant change," said Carol Kaufmann, junior.

When Carol was asked about her hobbies, she replied, "I don't have a hobby as such but one might say living life to the fullest is something I try to do every day."

"I really enjoy math. Although I might not make the best grades in it, I love the challenge that it offers. The fact that all the problems have a solutions and can be

reached by a logical method is meaningful to me," Carol replied when asked about her favorite class.



"My long-range goals in life are to pursue a career that is a benefit to people and also to lead people toward a more unified and peaceful way of life. My short-range goals include studying both marketing and computer science and getting a degree in either one or both of the areas."

When Carol was asked about how she felt about winning cheerleader, she replied, "When I found out I had been elected to represent S.B. as a cheerleader, I have never been more excited or thrilled. All of the girl cheerleaders for the past two years have been relatively short. I thought my height might work against me. I decided to go all-out anyway and try even if I didn't make the team. Winning was such a great reward. It taught me in the future to aim for a goal and ignore any obstacles that produce doubt. 1981-82 should be the year with the most spirit at S.B. High. I plan to lead the way."

"I like a variety of school activities, which include school dances, football, baseball, and basketball games, Student Council, and Brigade performances."

When asked what she feels could improve Spring Branch, Carol replied, "I feel the best things that could happen at S.B. are all the students could forget about race, creed, and color and work together to make the most spirited school in the district. I believe that if we want peace in the world, we must first start at home and secondly take it into our school lives."

-Kelli Vance



'Stunning' — Describes Susu Sivyer

Susu Sivyer is stunning to watch. Whether she is on stage dancing or working on an essay in English class, her candescent good looks draw attention.

"I like dancing," Susu remarked concerning the talent which has won her recognition in several contests.

"I think the reason I like dancing so much is because it gets me away from the pressures of everyday life and puts me in a kind of fairy tale world," she continued.

"I first started dancing when I was five. My parents took me to a small bar. One of the dancers at the bar picked me up and put me on the bar. She started dancing and I began following her footsteps."

Susu is now sixteen and is still dancing. She likes tap and jazz best because they have more movement.

Three years ago Susu and fellow classmate, Cindy Evelo, entered the Spring Branch Talent Show with a dance routine which won them first place.

Susu thinks dancing requires as much physical work as athletics.

"A lot of male athletes take ballet to help them with their skills. I have mixed feelings about male dances," she said. "I have seen some really good ones."

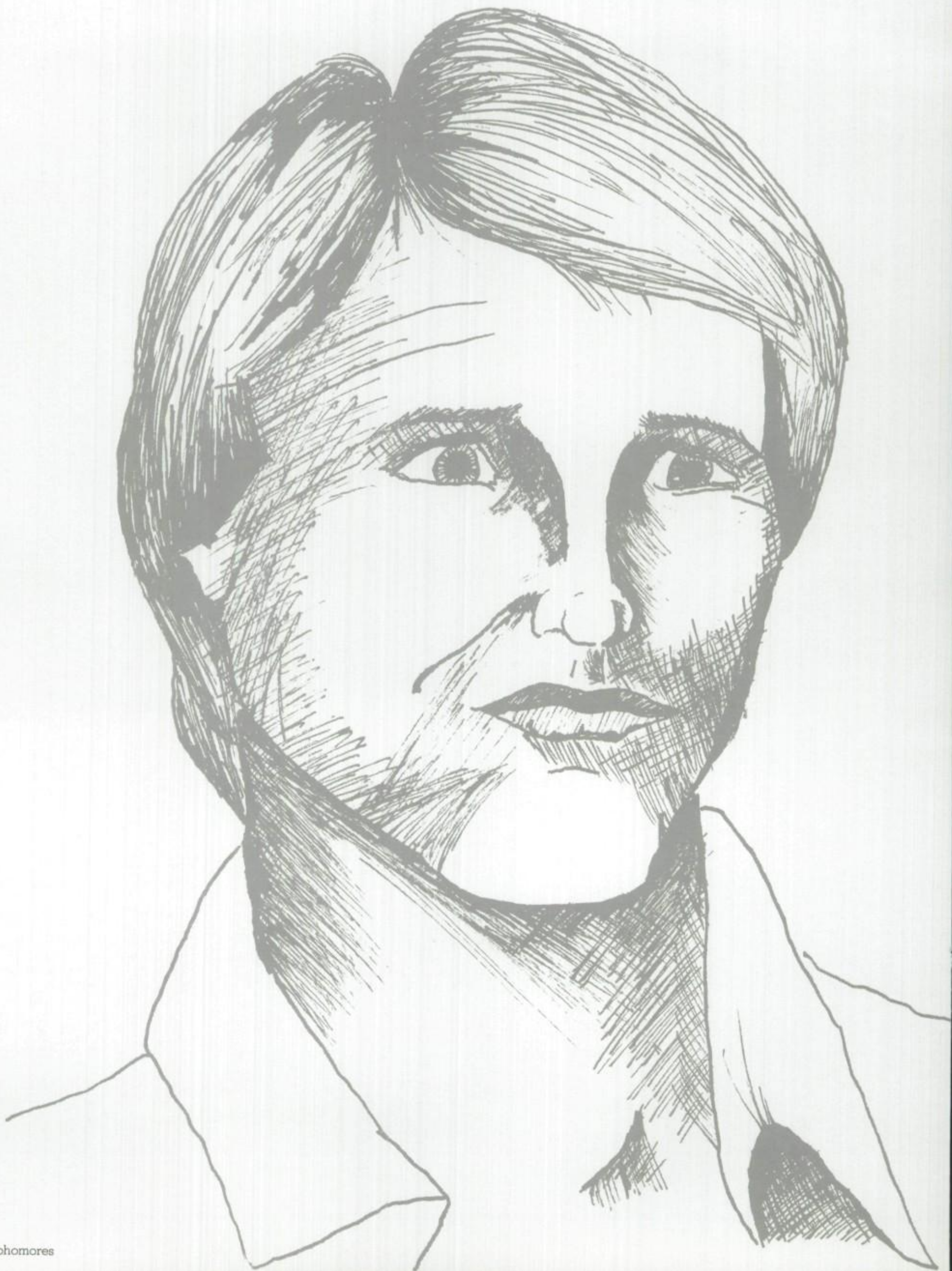
Susu does not want to teach dancing as a career.

"I have seen what the mothers of fellow dance students have to go through to teach. I would not consider doing it for a living, but I would like to dance on television or something like that."

-Michelle Evans



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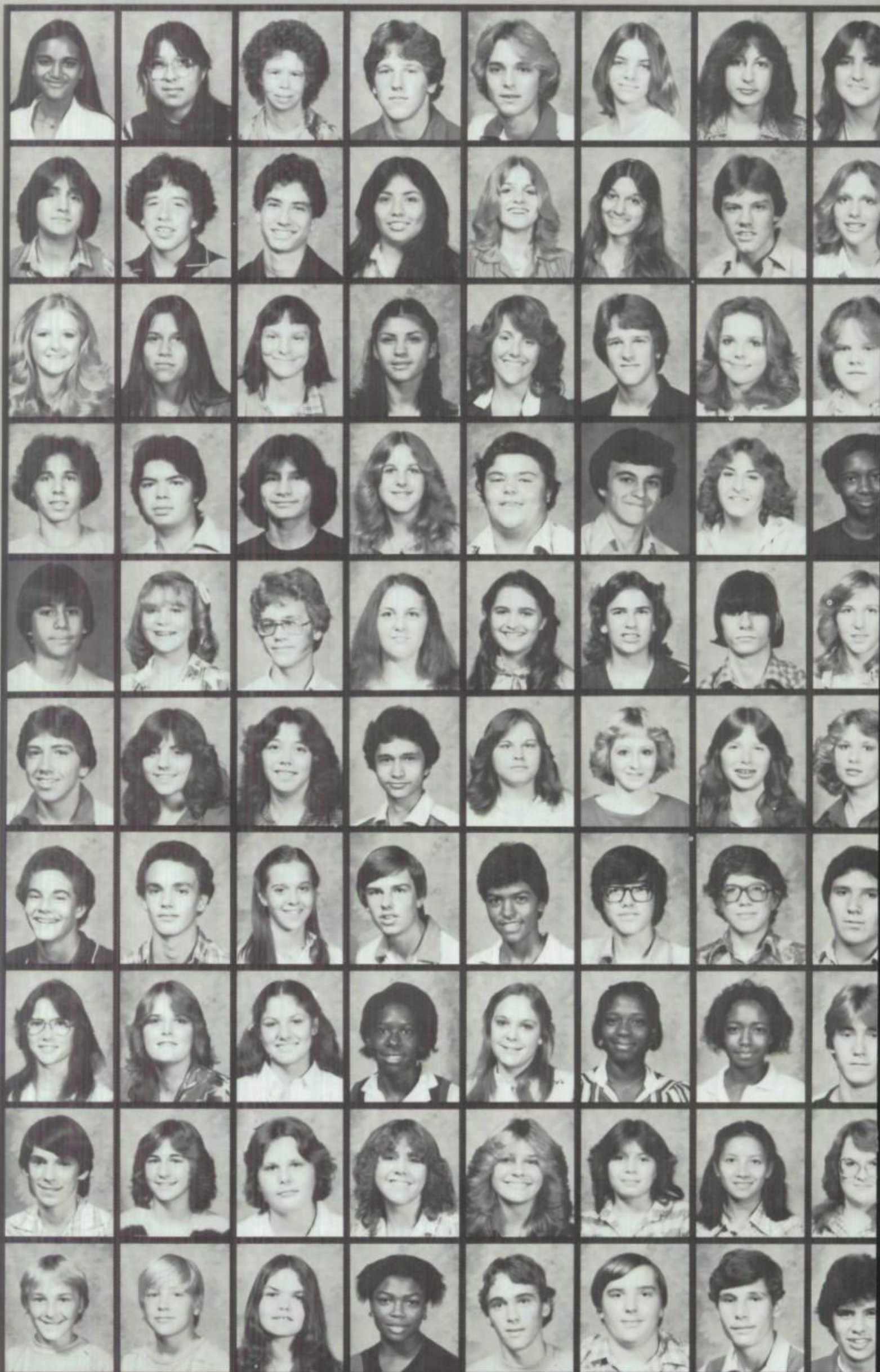
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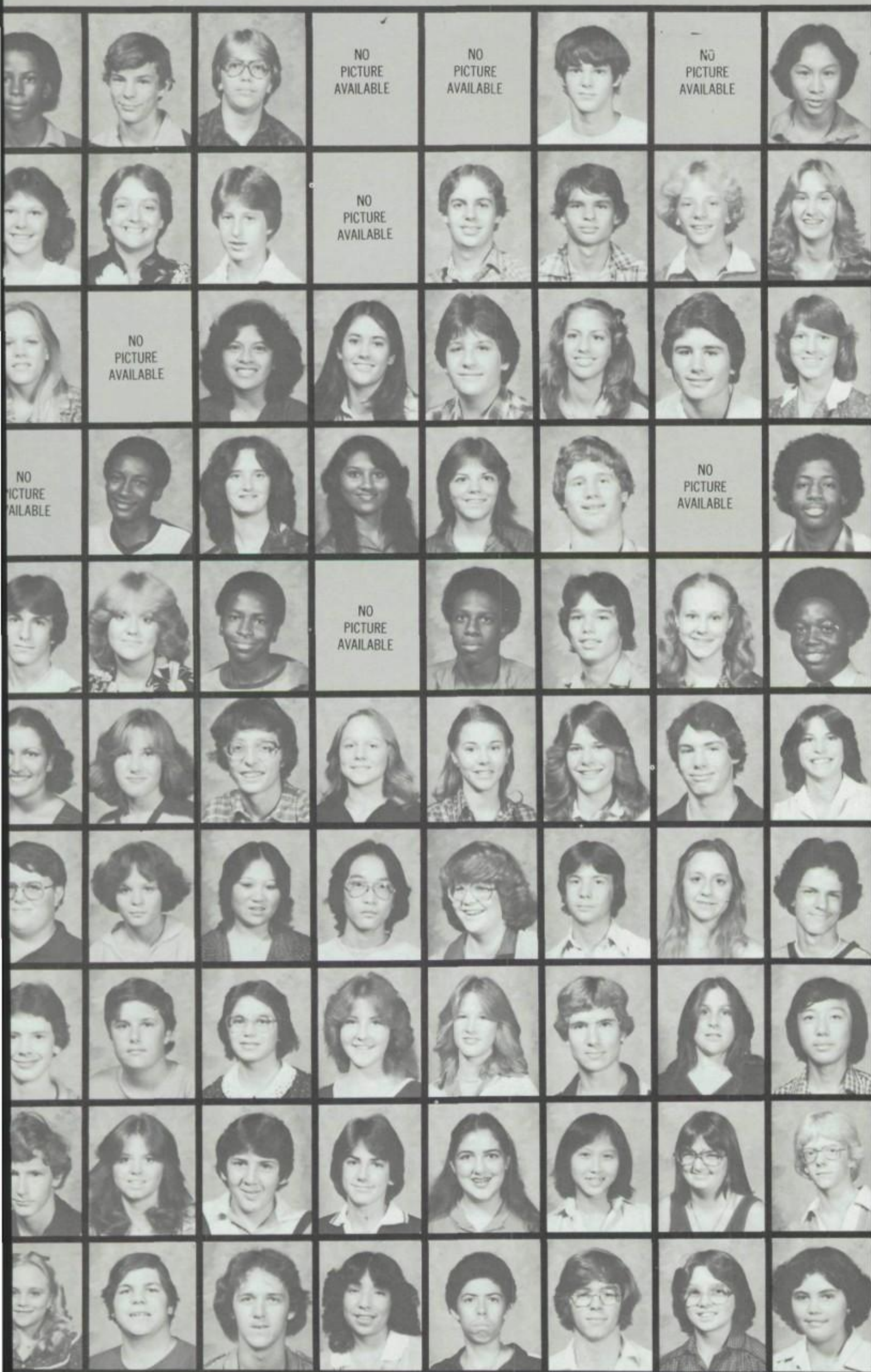
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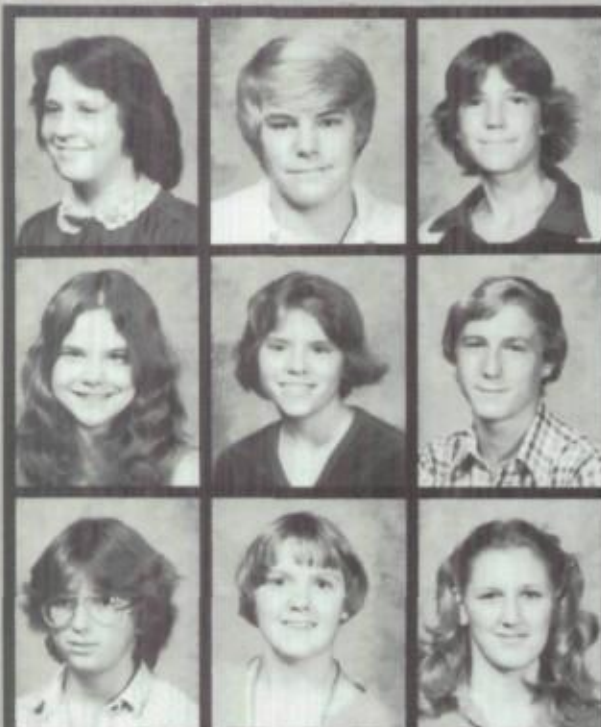
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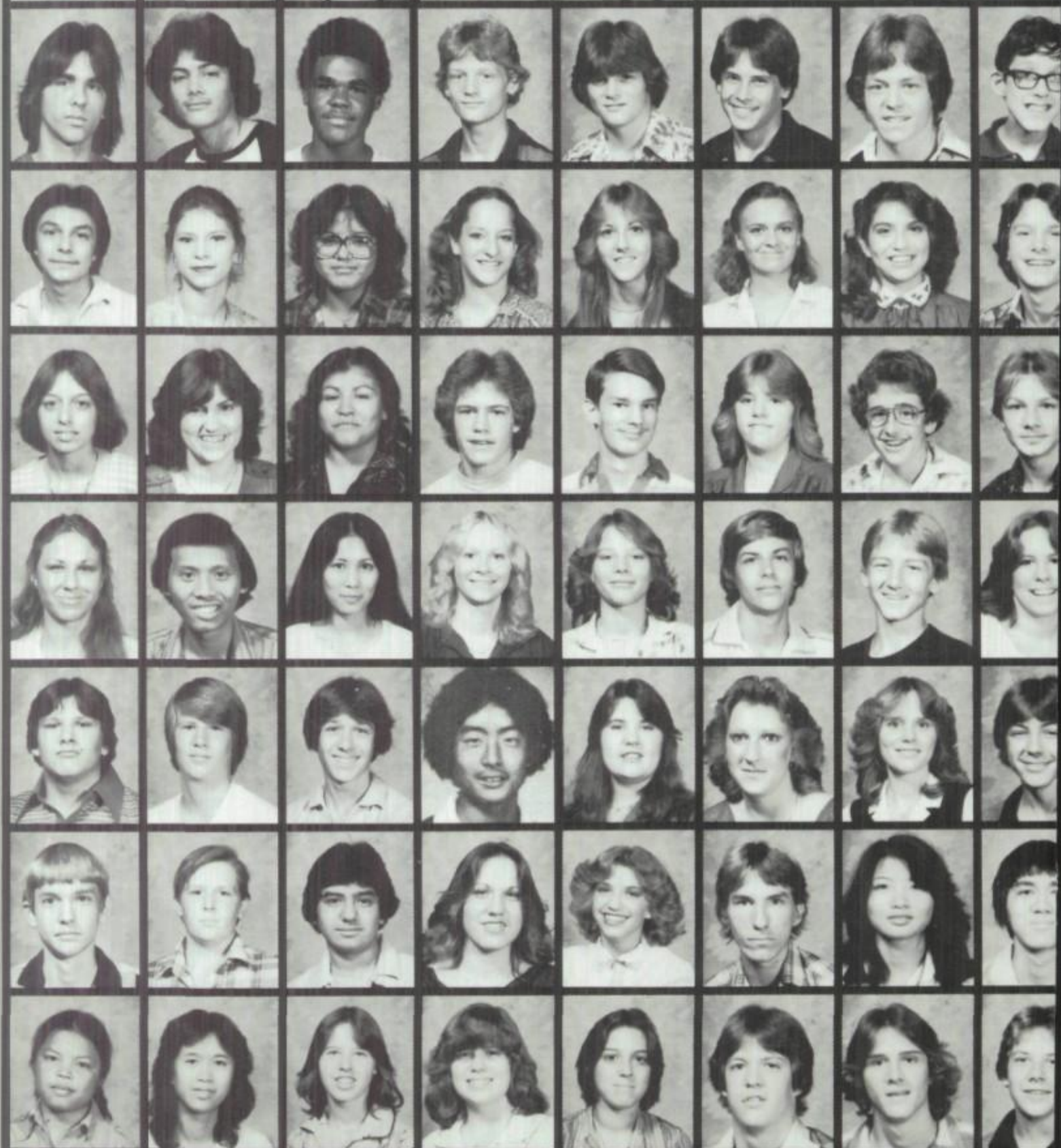
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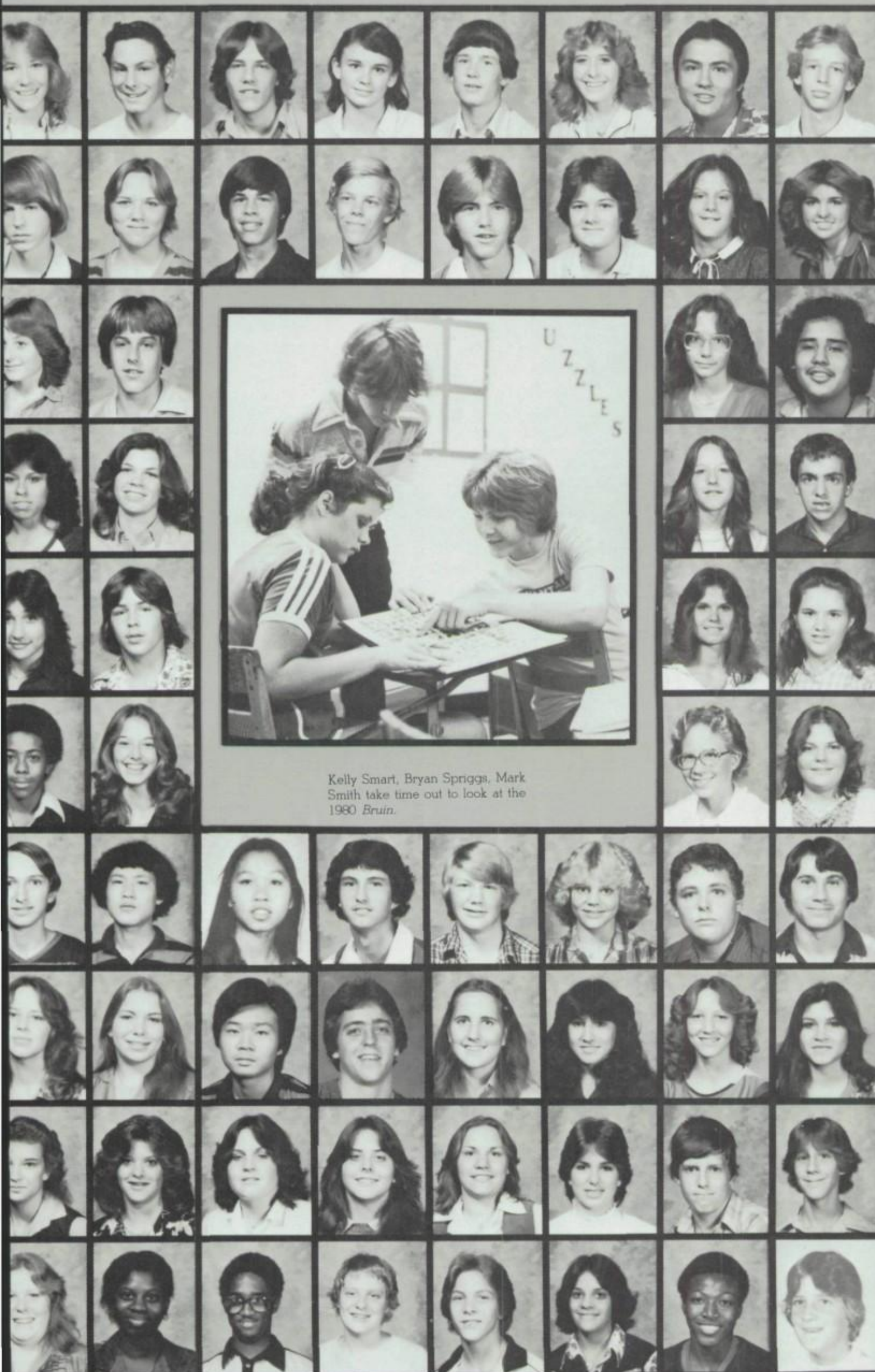
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Barry Barker, Gilbert Garza, and Mike Hejl join the crowd that eats outside in snack-bar during the springtime.





Kelly Smart, Bryan Spriggs, Mark Smith take time out to look at the 1980 *Bruin*.

Misti Potter
Jesse Poyer
Jeff Pruett
Liz Putnam
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Jay Winslow

Michelle Winters
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Lisa Wright
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"I am crazy, silly, and I talk too much."

Ronnie Zamarano knows Ronnie Zamarano. "I am crazy, silly, and most of the time I talk too much. I change moods very fast, but I can be really nice when I want to, which isn't very often. I try to talk to all my friends, and I take every everything seriously when I am not in a silly mood," said Ronnie a sophomore.

Some of Ronnie's hobbies include bike riding, target shooting, and joy riding on Friday and Saturday nights. "I also like going to Castle Golf and Games," he said.

When asked what he liked about school, Ronnie replied, "I like girls, sports, and some teachers and classes. Also I like being with all my friends."

Ronnie's favorite class is Mr. Hodges' General Physical Science.

"I don't know yet what I want to do after high school. I don't take school very seriously. It's hard for me to," Ronnie continued.

Ronnie plays summer baseball and played football for the sophomore team. He also ran track.

"I ran the 110 hurdles and 330 intermediate hurdles in which I placed seventh in district. I also ran third leg on the mile relay which got fifth in district.

"I listen to the radio and tapes (AC/ DC and SYTXS) and call my old girlfriends and talk for a while. I also job until I hurt," Ronnie confided.

"I don't consider myself an organized person, at least not at school. Things don't come to me as easily as they do for most of my friends, but on the weekends, I know where and what I am going to do."

Michelle Winters

Debate Prepares Student For Law

"During eighth grade, a speaker came to Landrum Junior High and talked the whole class into joining debate. Jean Goehring and I were the only ones who stuck with it," said Thad Swiderski, sophomore who went to state in debate and took second.

"My parents really were happy about my going to state, but not as happy as they were when they learned I had won second place. They were even happier to learn I had qualified for nationals by winning the East Texas Nationals Forensics League District in student congress."

When asked if he argues a lot at home, Thad replied, "Not really. I like to argue, but I do that a lot at school so it's not too bad at home."

When asked his plans after graduation, Thad replied, "Directly after high school, I will attend Baylor University for four years, majoring in Political Science. Next comes three years at the University of Texas Law school. When that's over I will join a law firm in Houston being established by friends of mine already in college."

Summing up his interests, Thad said, "I like to be around people, and that's the only reason I get up in the morning."

-Michelle Winters

Thad Swiderski (front left) joins debate team members in bringing home trophies.



Dazey Ranks Fifth In State



Danny Dazey holds plaques won for breaking mile-run and two-mile run records at Booster Club Relays, Feb. 28.

Danny Dazey, sophomore varsity track star, is one of the youngest runners in the country to have state ranking.

Dazey, who was ranked fifth in the state for his two-mile speed of 9:27, has big plans for the future.

"I am aiming for number one in the nation," said Dazey concerning his goals.

Dazey won his first race at Rice University by setting a record for the fastest time in the state for the mile run by an eight-year old.

Dazey said he wins because he concentrates. "A lot of my winning is mental. I hate to lose. I stare at the person in the lead, and I think 'I have got to win!' It's real deep thought. I try to outkick him in the end."

Dazey had been cutting five to eight seconds off his two-mile relay time until the Pasadena meet.

He was on a record pace in the distance medley, running with the leaders, when he heard his foot break.

"It took a while for the pain to hit me," said Dazey, concerning the stress fracture that knocked him out of much of the track season.

His plans for repairing the ankle include slow jogging on grass and taking things easy for a while.

Dazey, who blames the lack of padding in his running shoe for the injury, said he is looking forward to summer and the junior olympics.



Kaufmann: Gymnast

"When I was a child, I always wanted to be a gymnast," said sophomore Holly Kaufmann. Every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings, Holly can be found at the YMCA Dad's Club practicing gymnastics. This past summer she began working seriously, and now feels that she is working toward a goal. Holly has taken several steps to get where she is now. As a child, she took ballet, tap and acrobatics. Her hobbies include horseback riding, dancing, playing volleyball, and visiting with her friends.

During her junior and senior years, Holly plans to try out for cheerleader. According to Holly, her favorite subjects are geometry and World History. Holly is planning to study medicine in college.

When summer comes, Holly and her sister Carol fly to her father's house in Antigua. When Holly and Carol return from the Caribbean Islands, Holly likes to swim and run.

When asked if she would like to be in the 1984 Olympics, Holly laughed and said, "No! When you get older, you have to retire."

-Ray Priestley

Collins Has Confidence

Unlike most underclassmen, Darron Collins, sophomore, shows a lot of confidence in himself. His self-confidence seems to have given his fellow classmates confidence in him. He was elected sophomore class president, and, in 1981, re-elected to serve as the junior class president.

"I think that I'm a good leader, and I have common sense. That's what counts!" said Darron. Darron, who has played football for many years, was also the Junior Varsity football quarterback. He explained that competition is his favorite aspect of the game.

"It's good for your mind to beat someone whom you know is better than you are!" Though he would love to continue playing football in college, Darron said that he doubts that he will. "I don't think I'm what the college scouts look for!"

Darron said that he would like to pursue a career in law because he likes to argue. "But only when I know I'm right!" he added. He stated that he likes the way this country is run. "The laws in this country are very fair, and if you do something wrong, you're going to get into trouble for it."

He also feels that the draft is a good idea. "If you don't want to fight for your country, you shouldn't be here. Women shouldn't be drafted, though, unless they want to be. Women are too beautiful to kill!"

Darron who says he usually makes very high grades in the subjects he enjoys, says he loves school. "I wouldn't know half of my friends if it weren't for school. I think it builds character, too. But the part I hate most is waking up in the morning!" Darron says he doesn't have any unique pastimes. "I like to play with my dogs. They're wonderful!" he remarked.

Darron credits much of his success to his family relationships. "I would give the world for my parents. I love them and respect them very much. They help me with anything I need help with. We're friends and family at the same time!"

— Jane Quinn —

1. Darron Collins, the student. 2. Collins, the clown. 3. Collins, the friend.



Teas Goes For It

"To do well in school I work hard and take it seriously," said Wendy Teas, sophomore, concerning her being chosen outstanding freshman girl last year. "But that doesn't mean I can't have fun," she continued, jokingly.

Wendy said she liked to go sailing with her family in her free time. Wendy has been in two high school plays. She was a dancer in "South Pacific" and played the third daughter in "Fiddler on the Roof."

Wendy, who is a Girl Scout, was elected a delegate to the National Convention.

"I am also in the district choir and an alternate in the regional choir," she said.

When asked how she felt about school, Wendy said, "I think it gets better as you get older."

Eric Lane

Girl Scout Wendy Teas welcomes nationally famous puppeteer Shari Lewis to Houston's San Jacinto Council Girl Scout Center. Lewis now writes a syndicated column for the HOUSTON POST.



Rathkamp: Super Salesman



"I raise and sell bulls to get spending money. I have sold lots of things like my brother's mags," said Kris Rathkamp, a red-headed tenth grader with sparkly blue eyes.

"I can sell anything with four legs or four wheels," continued the self-proclaimed super salesman.

"To do that you gotta know what to say to people."

Kris, who is in 4-H and makes an excess of \$300 profit on each calf he sells, has advice on how to take care of a show calf.

"After you buy the calf, you feed it a preparation of cotton seed meal, horse and mule feed, calf mahner and corn. You have to work with it so it will walk with you and will pose for the judge. You have to clean the calf with special soaps and brush it everyday. It's the owner's responsibility to keep his calf from getting sick."

Other than raising animals, Kris has numerous interests and hobbies.

"In my free time, I take my calf for walks or I play soccer. I also do German dancing sometimes. I've been dancing since I was a little kid."

"I have no heroes or people that I want to imitate. My family and I try to be independent, not copies. I just want to be what I am," continued Kris.

"I don't know if it is a philosophy to live by, but this is the way things happen for me: I go out, have a good time, and learn things the hard way."

Christine Bui Clarridge



Cutsinger Works On Secret Dream

"My dad is a former professional football player, and he pushes me to do the best I can," said Kim Cutsinger, sophomore track star.

Kim got interested in track through her father and mother. "My grandfather was a boxer. My mother and grandmother were dancers. Actually, my whole family is athletic," Kim commented.

Kim competes in the mile relay, 880 relay, and the quarter open. Kim also competes in the high jump and sometimes in the long jump.

When asked what she likes about track, Kim said, "I think track accomplishes something."

She said that the most exciting thing that had happened to her was going to state.

Kim's secret ambition is to go to the Olympics. "But don't write that," she urged. "It might not come true."

John Jalowy

Osaki Tries Harder As Number One

The slightly thin, six-foot frame of Ike Osaki looks stunning in his typical attire, Addais warmups and leather athletic shoes.

Holding a tennis racket much as a Fifteenth Century knight would hold his sword, Ike spends approximately two hours a day on the tennis courts defending and nourishing his title as number one in the Spring Branch tennis team.

The tan complexioned sixteen-year old said he became interested in tennis after watching a match on television as a young child. Born in Florida, Ike has been in Houston since 1976.

"I like to win, but usually when you play someone in tennis, the person that wants to win the most, does," said Ike.

"This year is my first in the sixteen and up age group. Competition is harder because everyone is older."

Concerning his future, Ike said, "I have a strong desire to excell in tennis as well as academics."

In Texas, the state ranking and sectional ranking in tennis are the same. In the past season, Ike was ranked twentieth. He hopes to make it into the top 15 this year.

-Steve Bunch





Vance Climbs, Dives And Laughs ... A Lot

"I am brown-eyed with ridiculously curly hair, and a weird and unpredictable sense of humor," said Kelli Vance, sophomore.

"My hobbies include mountain climbing, rock hunting, scuba diving. I love art and laughing and joking.

"My interests in school include FHA, yearbook, newspaper. I was also a student council representative," said Kelli when asked about the organizations she supports.

When asked what she likes about school, Kelli replied, "I really enjoy my math class immensely, and I'd have to say all writing-based classes are my favorite: English and journalism."

"After high school I want to go to the University of Texas and major in journalism and advertising. I want to be an advertising executive and own my own firm. (I also want to get married in the process!!) With such loving and supportive parents like mine, I feel I can be anything I want!" When asked about her spare time, Kelli said, "I spend my time either partying with my best friends, spending time at the ranch, or outdoors with my family. I like going to the movies and just being crazy!"

Winn: Hyper About Life

"John Winn, red-headed, energetic sophomore, is a prominent Thespian. John, who will dance in Gilbert and Sullivan's production of *Ruddigore* this summer, got his chance to perform with the group through Mr. Frank Rice, drama instructor.

I got interested in drama by doing technical work at Memorial High and by watching people on stage," said John, who came to SBHS two years ago.

John said he was interested in doing some dancing parts and having more technical training. When asked where he got his energy, John said, "I'm naturally hyper."

John's favorite actor is Alan Alda, and his favorite actress is Mary Martin.

"Alda is really creative. He is a writer and an actor. Martin was a lady before her time. She was a pretty face and a great actress. She is a very believable person," said John.

John acts as school disc jockey in his free time. He runs all the dances, takes requests, and designs the music.

"I call myself a production co-ordinator," he said concerning his weekend job.

In discussing school, John said he had enjoyed drama and band most. He plays the tuba.

John Jalowy





In Memory Of David Birdwell

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Valerie Bullitt
James Bullock

Curtis Burke
Vince Busby
David Byers
Richard Calhoun
Norman Canales
Liz Canning
Gina Cantu
Traci Carlisle

Irma Castillo
Michelle Castillo
David Cecil
Clifford Cedar
Carolyn Cevallos
Khamphousay Chantharong
Hyung Chi
George Christodoulou

Jacques Cibils
Elizabeth Cisneros
Tracey Cline
Chris Coats
Robert Cochran
Stacey Coker
Martha Compean
Judy Conley

Joe Conner
Chris Cotner
Sheila Cotrone
Karen Cossey
Brad Creel
Kelly Crowe
Maribel Cuellar
Tami Cutsinger

Angelica Dale
Susan Dale
Cynthia Damian
Sau Van Dang
Trinh Dang
Alex Dosch
Dana Davidson
Tongula Davis

Dana Delesandri
Patsy Diaz
Thomas L. Dickerson
Marnie Dickey
D. J. DiPrimeo
Mary Dittrich
David Donaldson
Anna Dorea

Paula Dotson
Robert Downer
Liz Drakeley
Kurt Duncan
Paul Duncan
Dan Earl
Tracey Edwards
Letty Elliott

Darren Ellis
John Elsner
Kathy Elsner
Susy Estanol
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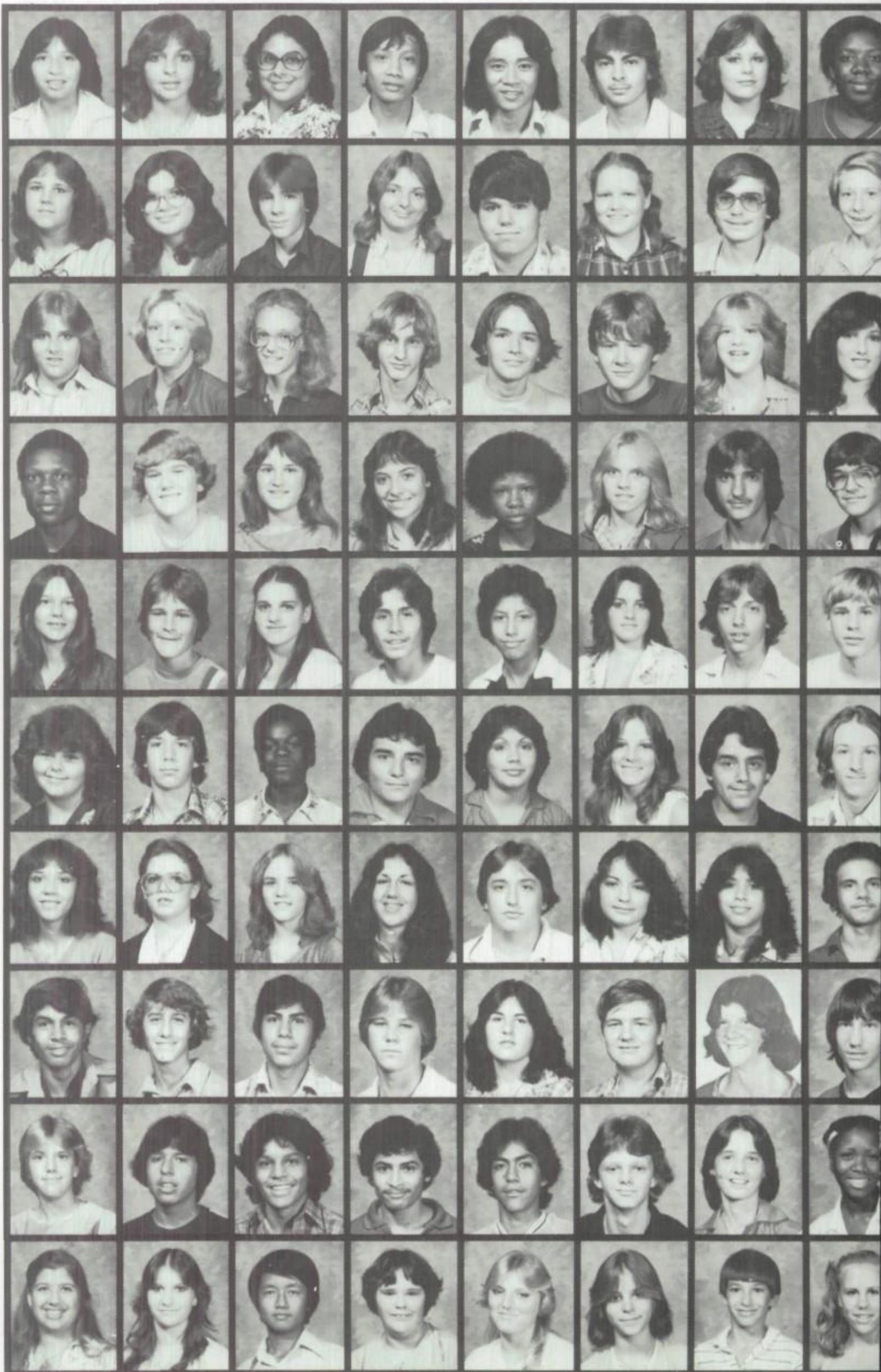
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Roman Gonzales
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Sylvia Grant

Barbra Groot
JoAnn Guynes
Le Hai
Phiscilla Hallman
Virginia Haltom
Tammy Harris
Darrell Harrison
Tricia Hawkinson





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Cari Heinrich
Mike Hejl
Keith Henry
Scott Hermes
Laquitta Herndon
Amy Hermann
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Leslie Hobbs
Lisa Holewyne
Robin Holloway
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Victor James
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Bryan Jones
Charlie Jones
Daina Jones
Lisa Jones
Jill Johnson
Michelle Johnson
Patrice Jolivet
Robbie Keown

Lisa Key
Seuk Kim
Eddie King
James Klander
Raymond Klotz
Ronnie Klotz
Dave Knippers
Robert Kneuppel



Graham: An Advantage

"I've worked hard as a band student," said Karen Graham, freshman, who has won awards in Region Band and District Orchestra in the seventh and eighth grades.

My brother played piano when we were younger, and I wanted to be like him, so I began playing the piano." She also plays the flute, which she enjoys more.

When asked if she will pursue music as a career, Karen replied, "No, but I will continue playing for enjoyment!"

Karen practices everyday and works to perfect her music.

"I couldn't have achieved my current level of musical ability without my training in piano. That gave me an advantage over everyone else!"

Karen, who was born in Illinois, commented about the Spring Branch area. "I like the people in Spring Branch; they are friendly. The area is nice, too."

-Lisa Blackman

Kirk Koenig
Michael Krebs
Leslie Kretschmar
Tammy Kruger
Karla Kuecher
Karen Kunkel
Philip A. LaFleur
Jose Lagos

Don Langston
Eric Lane
George Lazarides
Henry LeDay
Ann Le
Anna Lee
Lisa Lee

Teresa Lee
Dawn Lieber
J. Harlen Lobley
Kurt Lohmann
Gustavo Lopez
Jesus Lopez
Ramiro Lopez
Rosemary Lopez

Adam Loreant
Lorraine Lorentz
Karen Luce

Bernardo Lugo
Camille Luna
Mike McCool

Mark McDonald
Nina McDonald
Walter McDowell

Clay McFaden
Sharron McGuffin
Tim McKay

Thomas McNab
Kevin McPherson
Kevin McZarland

Janie Manford
Eddie Martin
William Mashburn
Anni Mavoulain
Carol May
Mary Mayfield
Connie Mayo
Judlyn Meadows

Colleen Mehaffey
Robert Melcher
Monica Mernies
Rodney Metzler
Neal Meyer
Marci Miles
Charemagne Miller
Mike Miller



Graciela Gutierrez clowns around in her P.E. class.



Andrew Millsap
Jennifer Miner
Robert Mislak
Cammie Mitchell
Audrey Mlcak
Kim Montez
Darryl Montpetit
Inkyu Moon

Peggy Mooney
Clayton Moore
Rick Moore
Tina Moore
Gloria Moreno
Kimberly Morgan
Andre Morris
Aimee Mousseau

Matthew Moudry
Mike Moudry
Candie Moya
Keisti Mullings
Gene Murphry
Lisa Murphy
Cindy Myers
Naghmeah Naghau

David Nagy
Rhonda Navarre
Lisa Newey
Tracie Newey
Cuong Nguyen
Cuong Nguyen
Cindy Nguiyen

Nga Nguyen
Thanh Nguyen
Huy Ngo
Jacqueline Nichols
Page Nielson
Rose Novak
David Nowaski
Danny Novosad

Ronald Ochoa
Sae Oh
Eric Oliver
John Ondrey
Theresa Opela
Maximino Osegueda
Tood Paleogos
Cathy Pariza

Bobby Parker
Trasey Parker
Clark Pavlicek
Cheryl Payne
Sharon Perez
Gail Pham
Tina Pham
Trang Lynn Pham

Michael Phillips
Phaivanh Phommahaxay
Somboun Phommahaxay
Inpong Phommavongsa
Kaisone Phoungouvan
Gary Pizzoterrato
Jerry Pizzoterrato
Deane Plengemeyer

Barbara Pless
Tanya Powell
Phil Prasek
Elsie Pryor
Nancy Puckett
Lucille Raines
Chemsamouth Rajvongthong
Scott Ramsey

Gwen Randolph
Kevin Ranne
Nancy Reinhardt
Alex Rex
Mickey Reyes
Donna Rhoda
Janet Riggs
Beth Rimbey

Janice Ringo
 Jim Robbins
 Michele Roberge
 Gina Robinson
 Wade Rodrigues
 Karen Rogers
 Randy Romike
 Kaycie Roush

Monica Rowlett
 Larry Ruiz
 Mario Ruiz
 Robert Ruiz
 Grace Ryan
 Danny Saenz
 David Saenz
 Alice Sanchez

George Sanders
 Sherry Sanders
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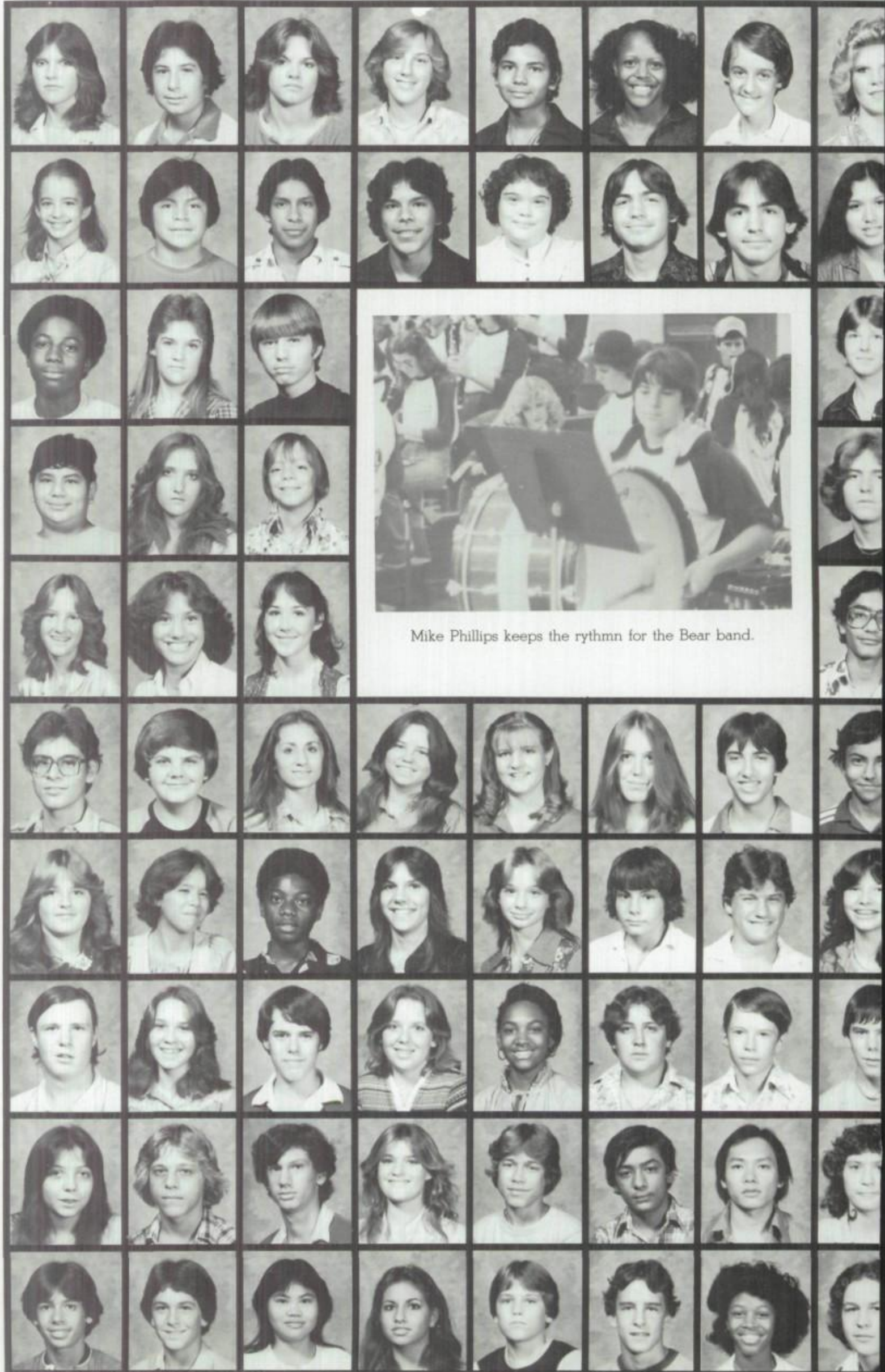
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 Cheryl Smith
 Dawn Smith
 Kyle Smith
 Monte Smith
 Tama Smith

Sammy Snow
 Margie Sofka
 Edward Speece
 Laura Spencer
 Vanessa Spurlock
 James Skala
 Paul Srubar
 James Standley

Gina Stidte
 Greg Stepanek
 James Stevens
 Stephanie Stimelsky
 Troy Stoltman
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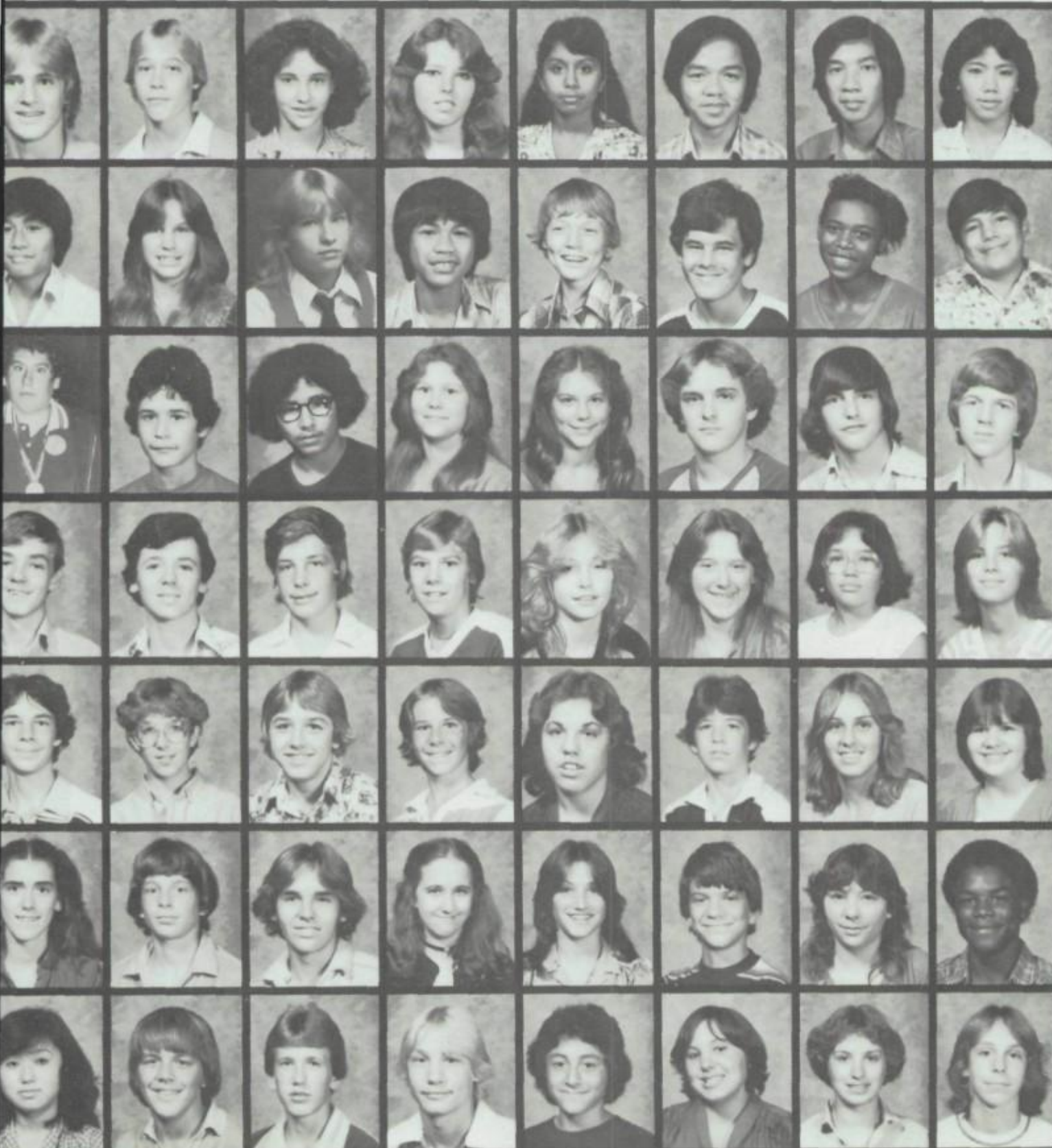
Freshman Trackster Shares Viewpoints

"It's just the sport I do best. You can't like something you don't do well," said freshman track star Lisa Holewyne.

"When you get out there and hear the gun fire, you just feel you have to win,"

Lisa, who has been running track since the seventh grade, is a participant in the open quarter, 880 relay, high jump and two-mile relay.

-Patti Flint



Stewart Thornton
Russell Tiedt
Debbie Toler
Tyna Tope
Sara Toro
Bieu Tran
Quang Tran
Thuy Tran

Sandi Treybig
Huy Trinh
Thea Trotscher
Dinh Le Truong
Glenn Twardowsky
Jeffery Tyler
Michelle Tyler
Rogelio Valadez

Thomas Valsecchi
Roy Vega
Luis Villareal
Sandra Voitte
Michelle Wachter
James Wallace
DR Ward
Robert Warner

John Welch
Donald Wells
Alvin West
Wesley Whaley
Debbie Wheeler
Dawn Whisman
Nancy White
Lisa Wickware

Marc Wiens
Suzanne Wignes
Duane Willett
Janes Willfre
Christine Williams
Craig Willis
Michelle Wilson
Rebe Wilson

Lorna Winn
Mike Winters
Jimmy Wisnoski
Marie Woodhouse
Laura Wainwright
Steve Wyman
Sherrie Yarbrough
Cartrell Young

Mi Yu
Jerry Zabawa
Robert Zabel
Bubba Zapalac
Fernando Zapata
Mary Zaphiris
Cathleen Zaruba
Jeff Zwolinski

Tammy Agee
Derrick Arceneaux
Maria Balderas
Tommy Barnwell
Melody Blackmon
Trudi Bostock
Patricia Brown
Patricia Briones

Wanda Caldwell
Joe Casares
Rene Casillas
Larry Castillo
Loyd Chinn
Jaquatta Compton
Quoc Dang
Michael Daniels

Benny Davis
Quyen Duong
Charles Duke
Marja Edmonson
Brandi Enapstrom
Kevin Filoal
Henry Garza
Donna Giordano

Lena Gomez
Juanita Gonzales
Sylvia Grant
Shelly Gusnowski
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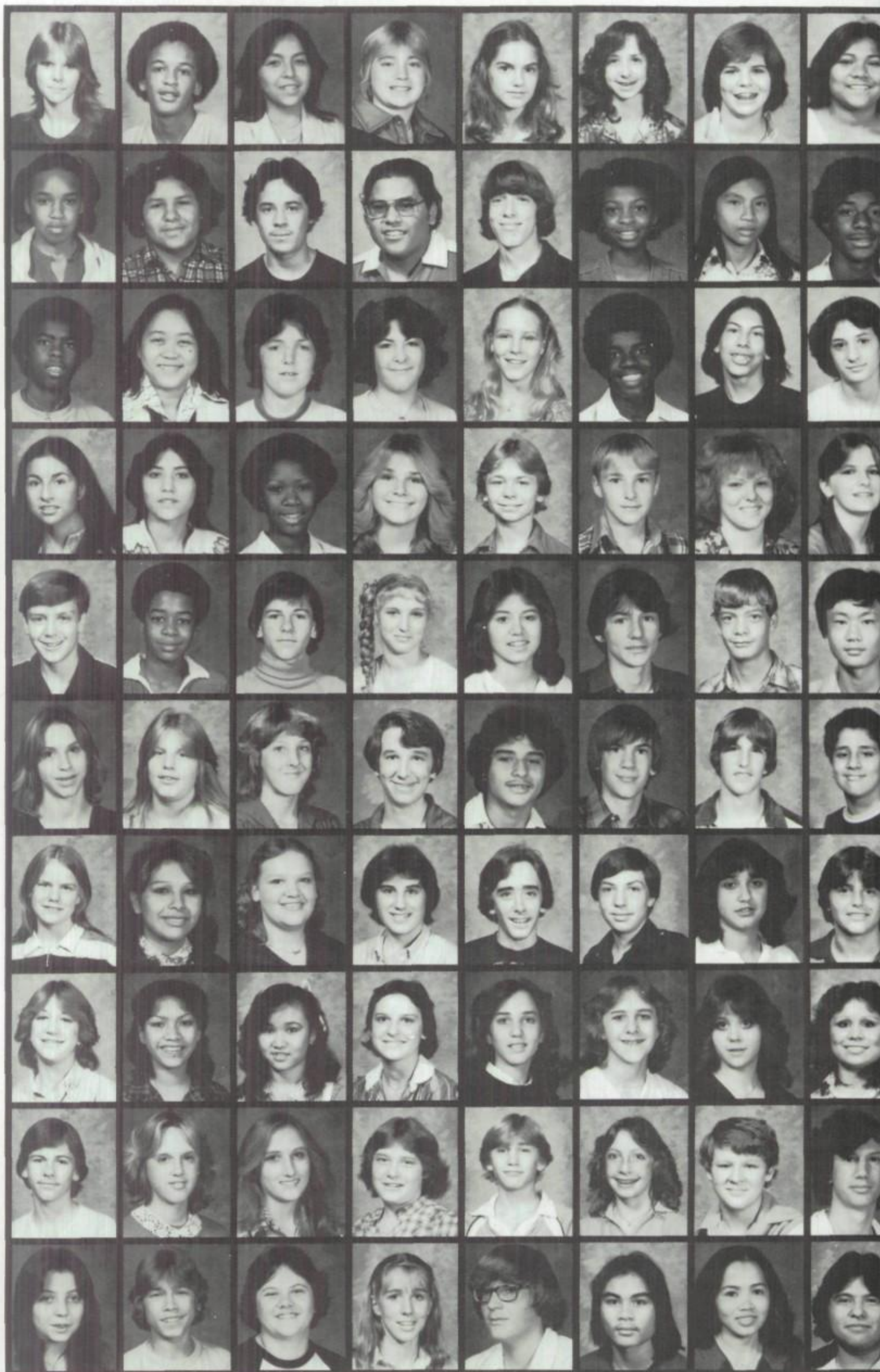
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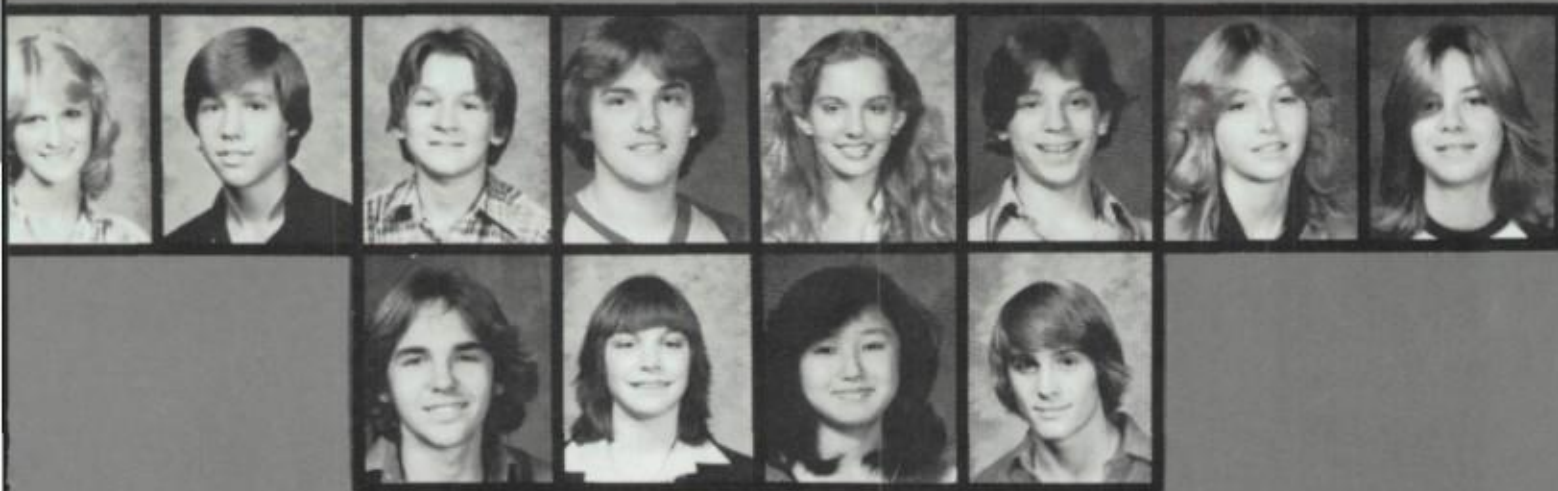
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Ruth Rathgeber
Tracy Reichel
Nancy Reinhardt
Donna Rhode
Ana Ruiz

Jack Sanspree
Rebecca Sauer
Susan Sauter
Susan Schneider
Steve Sepaugh
Wendy Sloat
Robert Smith
James Stevens

Gina Stolte
Troy Stoltman
Melinda Svetlick
Julie Talley
Sean Tarylan
Souori Theung Thiraj
Manivanh Theung thiraj
Jimmy Trevino





Nancy Tucker
Jim Vann
James Wahrenberger
James Wallace
Julie Weatherly
Brian Werner
Debbie Wheeler
Lisa Wickware

Jimmy Wionoski
Elizabeth Withers
Mi Yu
Darin Zwerneman

"I Was Even Happy Being A Freshman!"



"I was even happy being a freshman!!" said Patricia Brown, Spring Branch sophomore. Such a statement is not alarming coming from a person of Patricia's status. While maintaining an impressive 6.5 grade average, Patricia finds time for hobbies. Reading, piano lessons, rehearsals for "Fiddler on the Roof," cooking, and even a good argument with her younger sister, are some of Patricia's favorite pastimes. This year Patricia is the recipient of the *Bruin's* attention because of her refreshing and industrious personality.

So young, yet so wise, Patricia knows who she is and what she wants. At age fourteen she already has specific opinions on her future, the nation and its people. College is a definite yes for this gal's future, as well as a life of happiness, which is what she wants most of all. About the national affairs, Patricia said, "Americans should stand up for the U.S. instead of cutting it down."

Admired and respected by her peers, Trisha, as she is affectionately called, is not the epitome of "goody - two - shoes." In fact, laughing is what Patricia enjoys most. "I love meeting new people with whom I can joke," she said. Light-heartedly, the five foot-one inch, brunette recalled one of her most memorable moments. "It was opening night of 'Once Upon A Mattress.' I was in a skimpy costume when I fell off a two-man lift. Thank goodness the lights were dimmed."

Perhaps Trish's most outstanding qualities relate to her energy and will to make the very best of everything. Appearing to have a perpetual smile, Trisha said, "I'm real excited about each and every day." "I'm in no hurry to grow up. High school is a blast, and I want to fully enjoy the present." The convincing face of Trisha shows that an ounce of phoniness is not in her. "I just like to laugh and have a good time, and that's that!!"

— Kelli Vance —

A Short Person Talks Big

What is it like to be short? Well, I'm going to tell you from first-hand experience. Surprisingly, being short isn't as hard as you might think. Of course, there are a few problems that a "shortie" will encounter. Many of the hassles that happen to come your way aren't really big enough to worry about. I didn't ask the policeman to stop my car just because he couldn't see anyone driving. The man needs glasses no doubt! Take the time the kids on my block thought that I was a new classmate of theirs. They are in the fourth grade.

The only time that I ever had a real problem was when I went to get my driver's license after I had turned 18. When I went to the window, the lady told me to come back when I was old enough to drive. I shyly looked up at her and said, "I'm 18."

She looked at me as if I had two heads. She tried to hurry the process, but we were slowed down when they had to go find me a stool to stand on to take the eye test. I think that made her a little mad.

Large fat books become important to short people. I am typing this story while sitting on three telephone books.

There are many things that a short person can get away with that a tall person cannot. Getting into the movies by passing as a twelve year old is one. Being able to wear little boys shirt is another. This in turn saves me about \$11 a shirt. I can also order a child's plate at the restaurant without being quizzed.

I hope these few words will give short people some encouragement, and maybe this will give tall people a better understanding of the problems that shorties have. I feel that typing this was worth it, even though I had to sit on several hard phone books to accomplish it.

Susan (4'11") Donaldson

1. Susan Donaldson, 4'11", poses with friend, Laura Green. 2. Laura and Susan exchange glances on Cap and Gown day.



Teens Approve Tin Grins

"Orthodontics is the science of moving teeth," explained Dr. Norman T. Speck, orthodontist, in a recent interview. "There are references in the Bible to moving teeth, but modern orthodontics had its birth in 1902," said Speck.

Speck noted that the field of orthodontics is in a constant state of change, and new techniques are being discovered weekly.

Dr. Speck confirmed the fact that more adults are wearing braces than ever before. In fact, full-fledged adults now make up fifteen to twenty per cent of the practice according to the August 80' issue of *Ladies Home Journal*.

Ms. Linda Boyd, journalism teacher, expressed her opinion on wearing braces:

"The metal appliances are extremely uncomfortable. I am assured of a headache after they are tightened."

"Braces make it difficult to smile. Something has to be extremely humorous for me to laugh," noted Ms. Boyd, who wears plastic upper braces. "I feel as if my mouth is wrapped around a grapefruit!"

According to Dr. Brendan J. Boylan, D.D.S., plastic braces tend to stain teeth, catch food and break easily. Dr. Speck agreed and discouraged the use of plastic braces. "Metal squares cemented onto the teeth are still preferred over the plastic type," *Seventeen* magazine reported.

"Many look at braces as a preventive measure in dental health," said *Seventeen*. Others, however, see braces as a corrective method of changing teeth.

"Most cases are strictly medical, though there are a few patients who want braces simply for cosmetic reasons," said Dr. Speck. "The complexity and length of treatment depends on the individual," noted Speck. "Some cases are untreatable with orthodontics."

Nevertheless, braces are worn predominately by pre-teens and teenagers, and they have their own opinions.

Patricia Brown, freshman, agreed that braces are necessary and added: "They are a good conversation starter and a good excuse to get out of class! On the other hand, they are a hassle. I swallowed three bands the first day I wore them!"

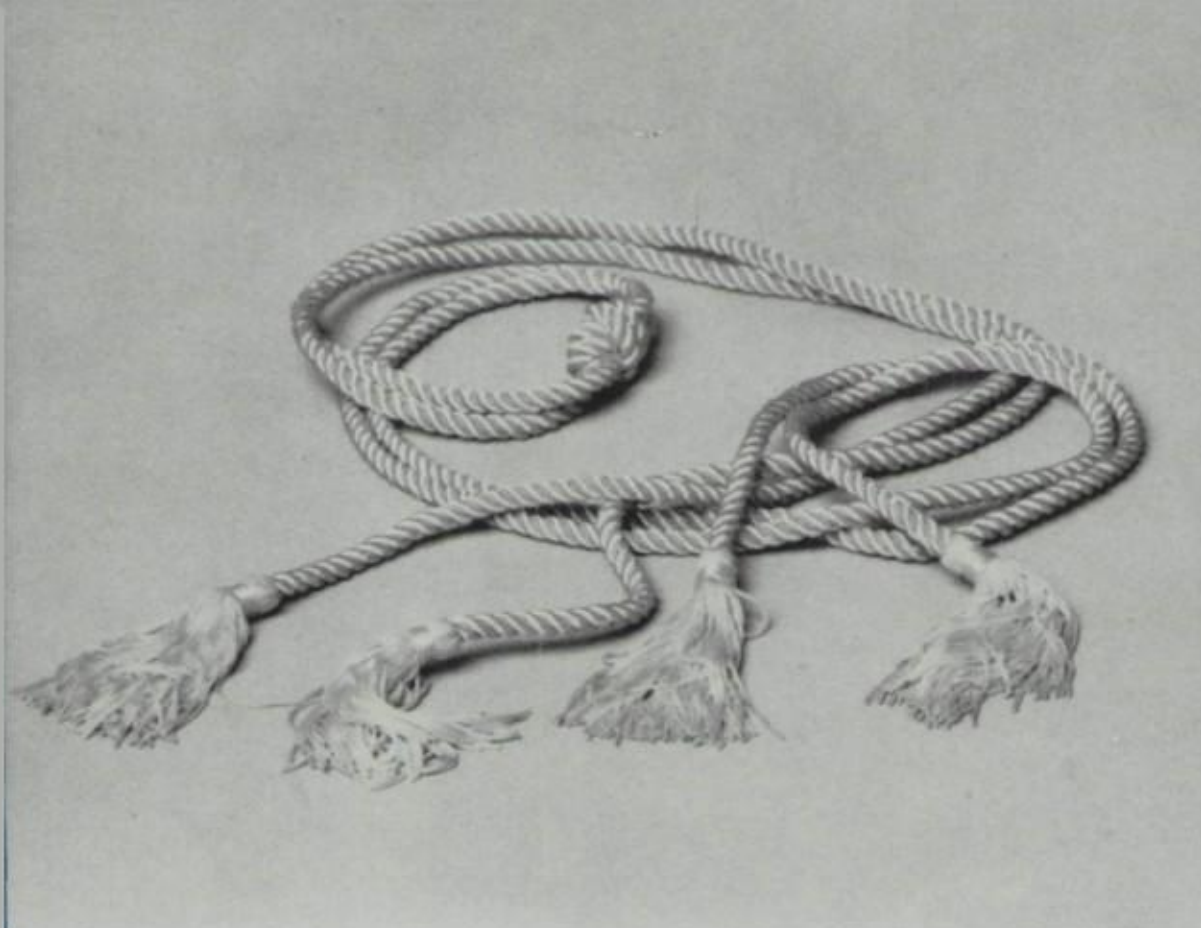
"I hate them!" cried Mary Tatum, sophomore, describing her aluminum ware.

Sophomore Tammy Jamison described the perils of brace-wearing best with this: "They are embarrassing, ugly, and a general nuisance. But they are well worth it."

-Kelli Vance-



1. Senior Craig Chappell talks with Marlene Marino, sophomore, while she waits for her orthodontist. Craig plans to study dentistry in college. 2. Dr. James Krivan, Spring Branch orthodontist, examines Marlene Marino's braces while a dental assistant supervises.



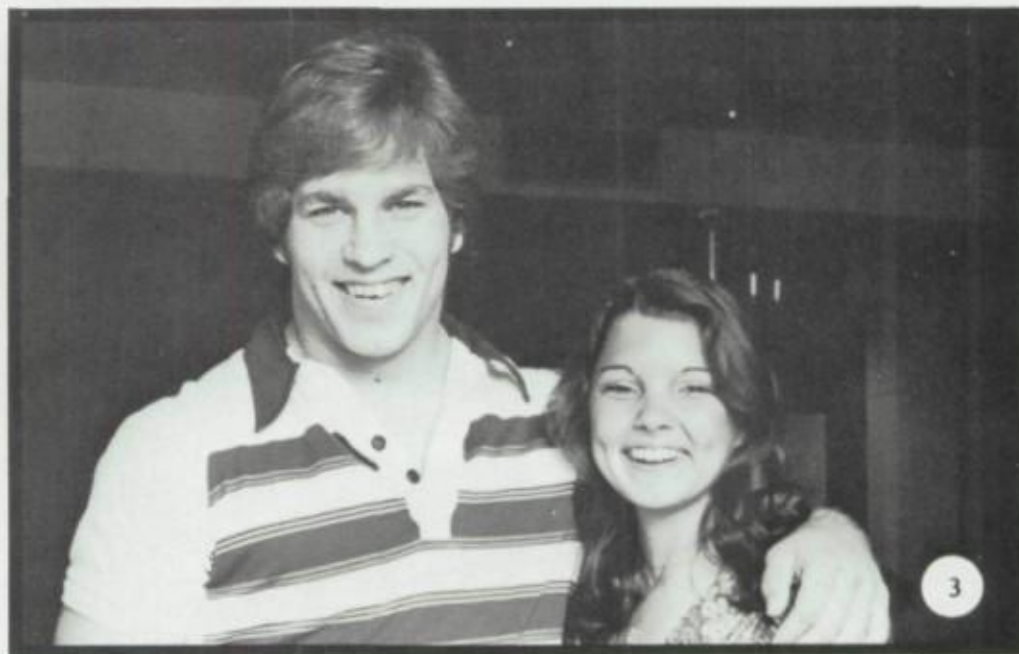


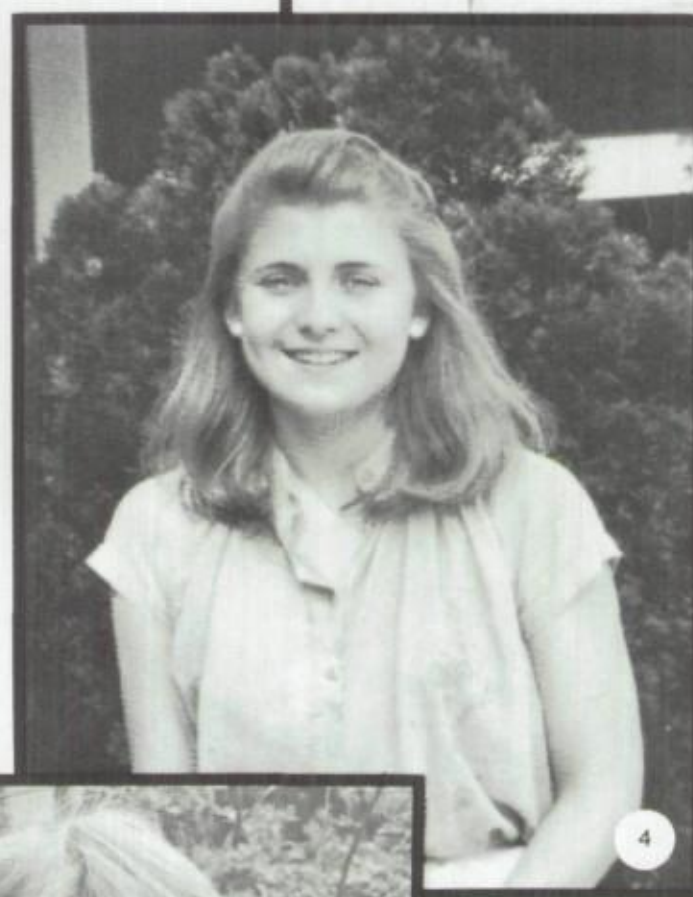
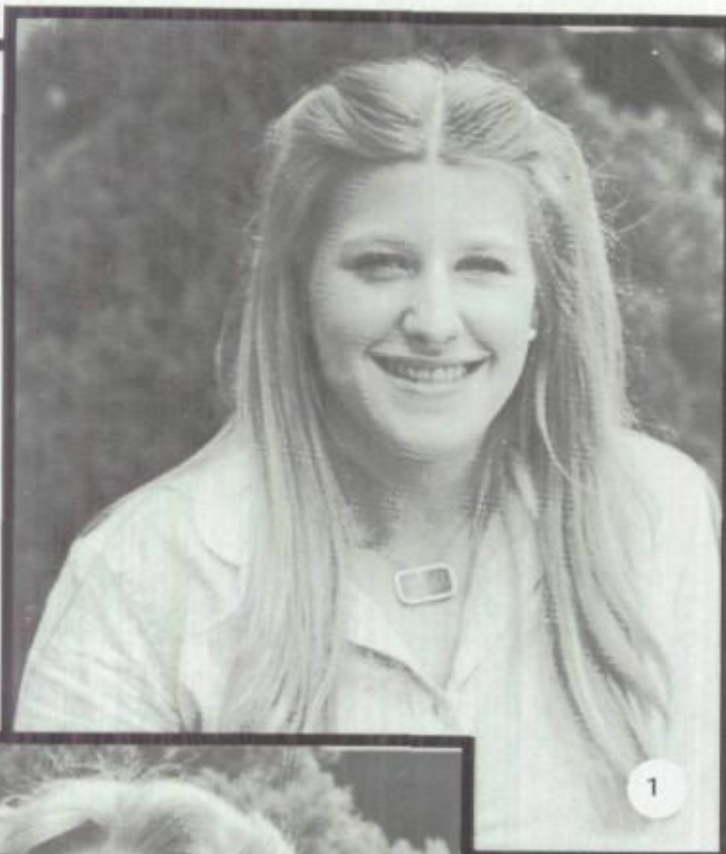
Outstanding Seniors Elected By Classmates

1. Best All-Around
Christine Wilford and
Jimmy Kutchback
2. Most Spirited
Veda Montalbano and
Jerry Meza
3. Friendliest
Jimmy Kutchback and
LeAnn Bott
4. Wittiest
Kelly Vaught and
George Knapo
5. Most Likely
To Succeed
Christine Wilford and
Steven Bullit

Each year when a new freshman class enters Spring Branch High, certain students begin building reputations to excel in certain areas, both academic and social. As the end of their senior year draws near, the students recognize their fellow classmates, who have excelled, in the Senior Superlatives election. One boy and one girl are elected to each of the ten categories. The process begins with nominations and is followed by elimination. Though this recognition is mostly for fun, it is a great honor and carries much prestige.

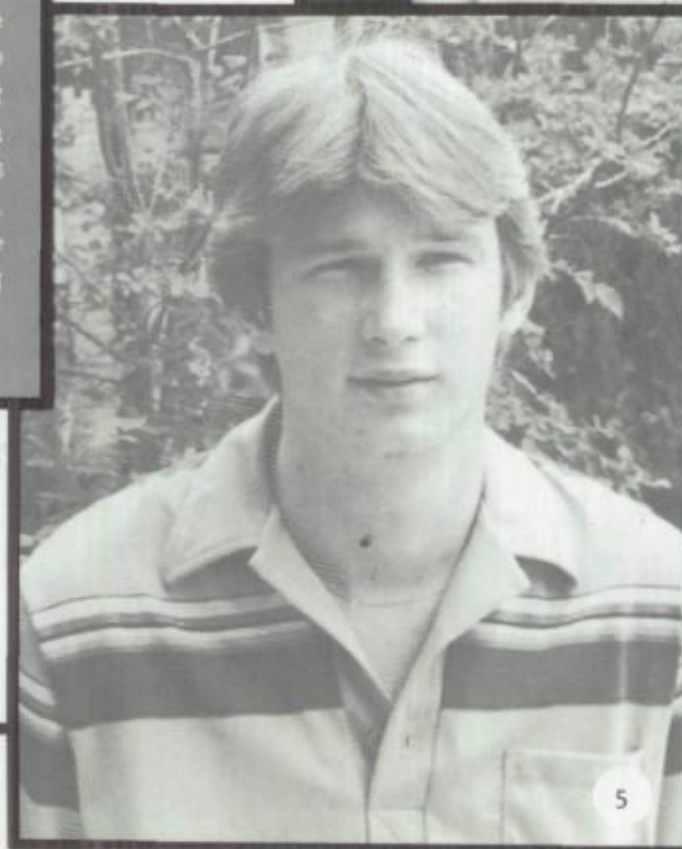
6. Most Athletic
Charles Myers and
Alane Kappus
7. Best Dressed
Danny Magallanez and
Linda Neils
8. Most Representative and
Most Popular
Kyle Todd and
Donna Evans
9. Most Talented
Brenda Spangenberger and
Charles Ripley





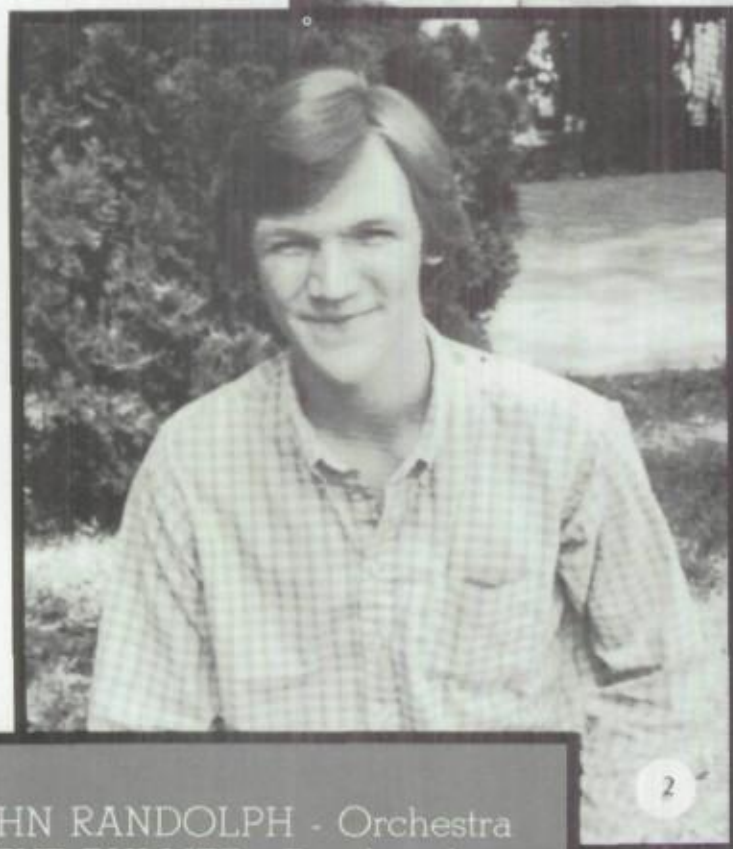
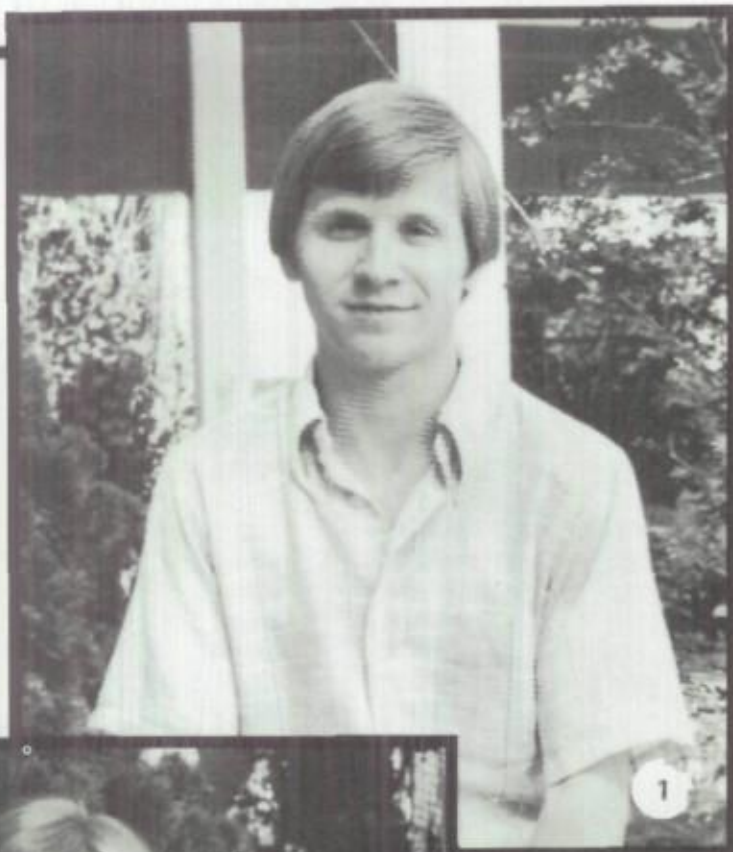
Who's Who Recipients

Among the highest honors at Spring Branch High School, are the Who's Who departmental awards for outstanding students. The recipients of these awards are chosen by the teachers in each respective department. To qualify for these awards, the students must first be seniors. They are then considered on the basis of their academic achievements and contributions to the specific department. The final winners in each department are announced and recognized on the Spring Branch Awards Night in May.

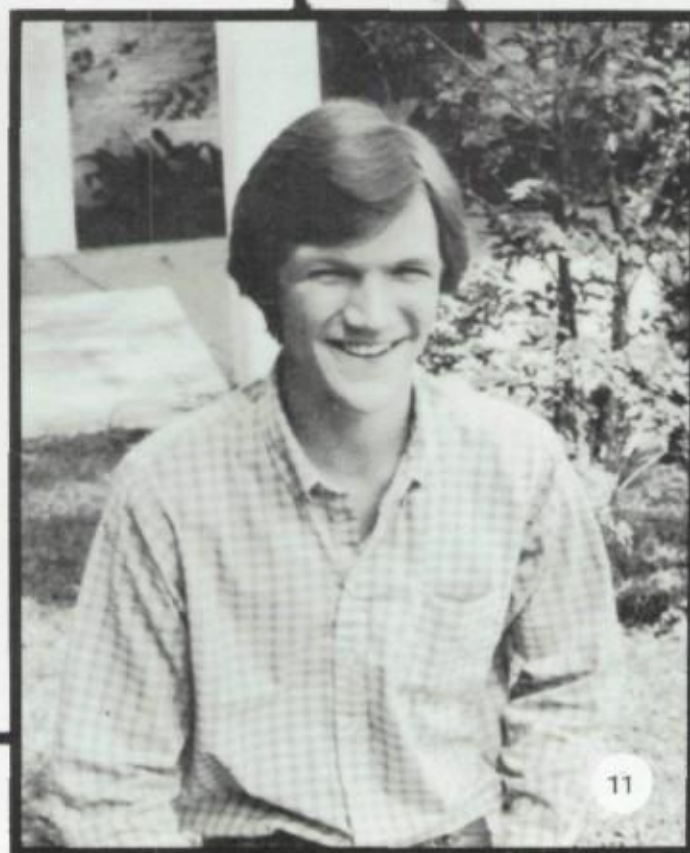
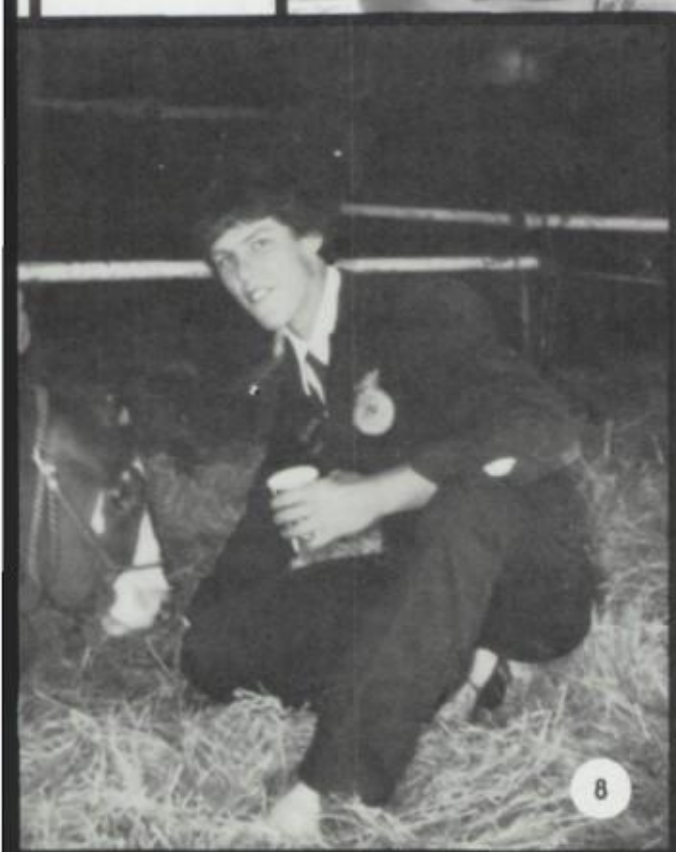
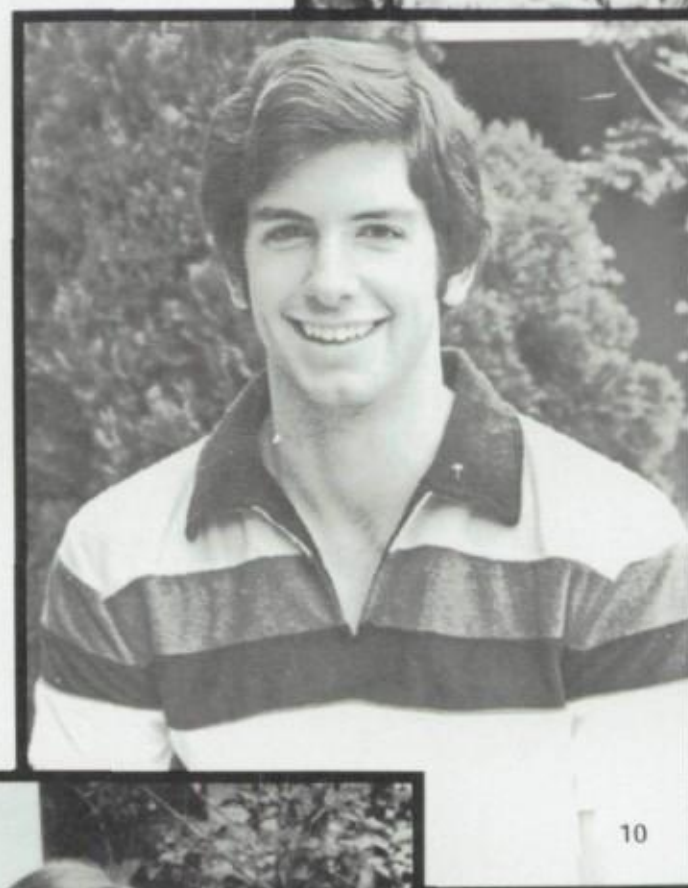


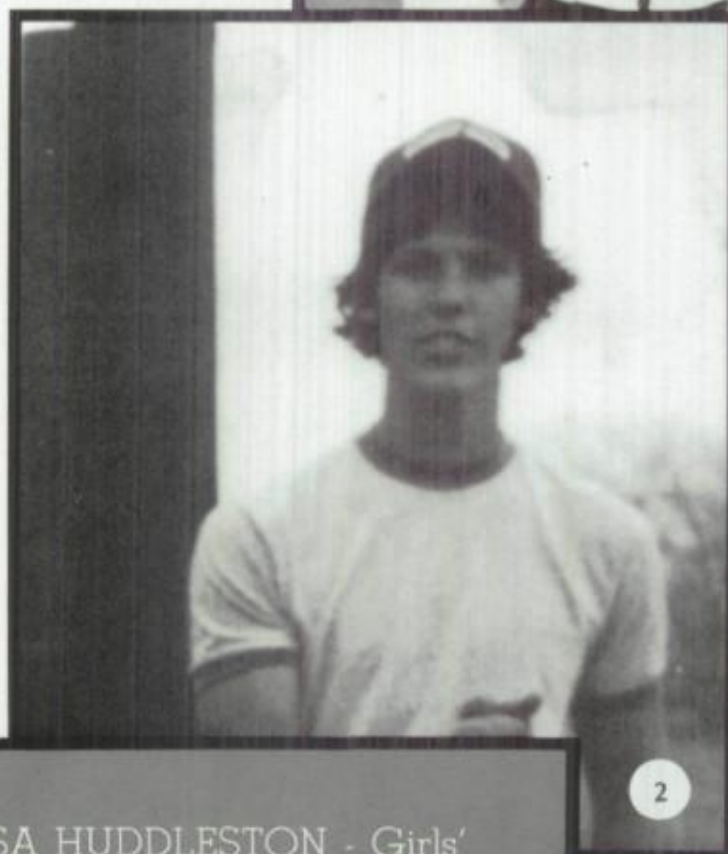


1. ANGELA BIBY - Business Ed
2. RHONDA TAWATER - Business Ed
3. LADONNA JOZWIAK - Business Ed
4. JANE QUINN - Journalism
5. DANNY KLAES - DE
6. LINDA NEILS - HECE
7. KIM STINSON - TAHOS
8. CHARLES CLEVELAND - ICT
9. GRETCHEL BANKS - VOE
10. GIGI SALTZMAN - VOE

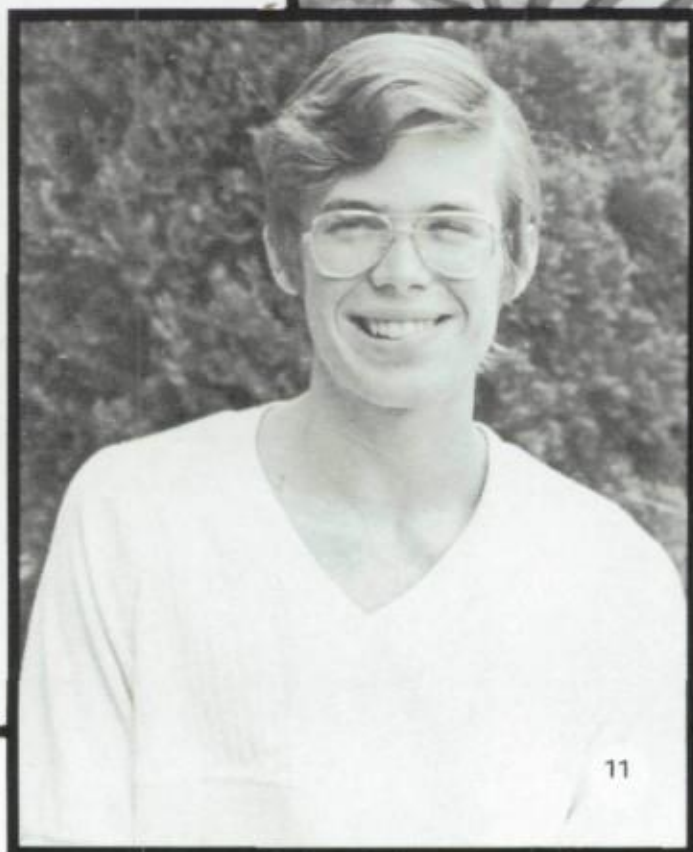
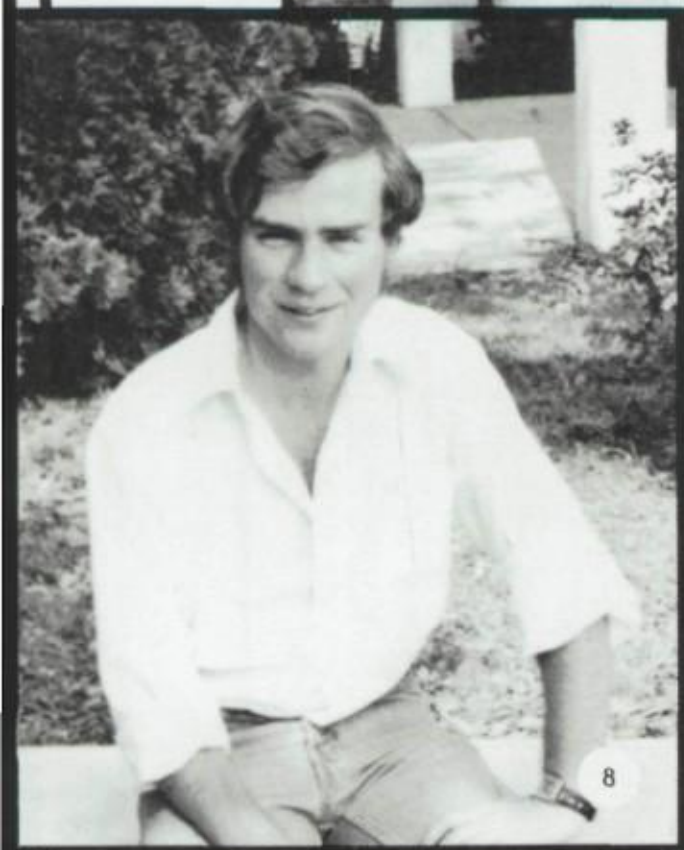
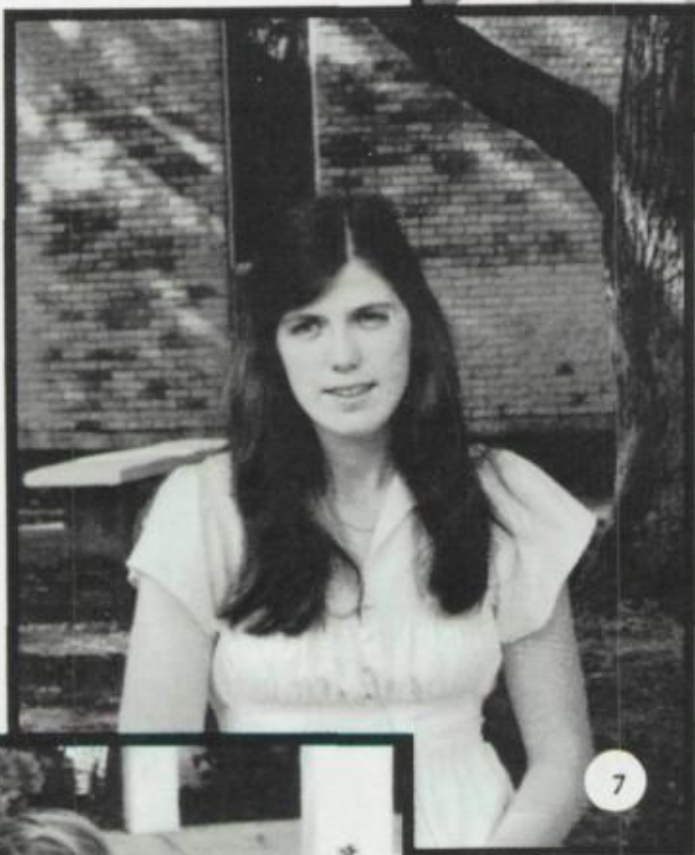


1. JOHN RANDOLPH - Orchestra
2. STEVE BULLITT - Band and Choir
3. RENEE FREELAND - Orchestra, English
4. CHARLES RIPLEY - English
5. KAREN CASE - English
6. STACY SMITH - Homemaking
7. ALLAN DAVIS - Industrial Arts
8. ANDREW ERICSON - Agriculture
9. CARI CREEL - Homemaking, Social Studies
10. GARY SABLATURA - Social Studies
11. STEVE BULLITT - Social Studies





1. LISA HUDDLESTON - Girls' Athletics
2. ANDY ERICSON - Boys' Physical Ed.
3. RUSTY SHELTON - Art
4. PAUL PEDERSEN - Math
5. ANDREA JENSEN - Biology, Chemistry
6. PAUL PEDERSEN - German
7. RENEE FREELAND - Math, Biology
8. CASTO LOPEZ - Physics
9. ANDREA JENSEN - French, Math
10. IN MOON - Latin
11. WARREN READY - Spanish



Awards Night: A Special Night For All Those Present



Special Presentations

RECIPIENTS

Christine Klander
Debbie Knott
Jimmy Kutchback
Debra Lagoudis
Kyle Todd

HONORS

Rensselaer Award
Biddy Dodd Elkins Award
DAR Outstanding Senior Boy
Thomas Jefferson Scholar Award

Scholarships

DAR Good Citizen

RECIPIENTS

Mandy Brady
Janet Brophy
Donna Evers
Renee Freeland
Paige Hewitt
Andrea Jensen
Mark Johnson
Jay Kim
Jimmy Kutchback
Melanie McDonald
Lee Montz
Warren Ready
Charles Ripley
Stacy Smith
Denise Sumrow
Paul Wells
Christine Wilford
Glenn Williams

DONORS

Unknown
University of St. Thomas
South Arkansas University
Harris County Youth Foundation
Southwest Texas State University
Phi Beta Kappa and Magin-Rhodes Scholarship
Northwestern State University of Louisiana
ROTC
East Texas State University
Spring Branch-Memorial Sports Assoc.
Spring Branch PTA and Spring Branch-Memorial Sports Association
NROTC
Spring Branch PTA and Exchange Club Youth of the Year Scholarship
PTA Area Council
Houston Baptist University
Spring Branch-Memorial Sports Association and Spring Branch PTA
Gene Dusek Memorial Scholarship, Spring Branch PTA, and the George and Mary Josephine Hamman Foundation
East Texas State University

Outstanding Students

FRESHMEN

Richard Bench
Katherine Scurria

SOPHOMORES

Steve Urquhart
Wendy Teas

JUNIORS

Shannon Ripkowski
Debbie Ellison

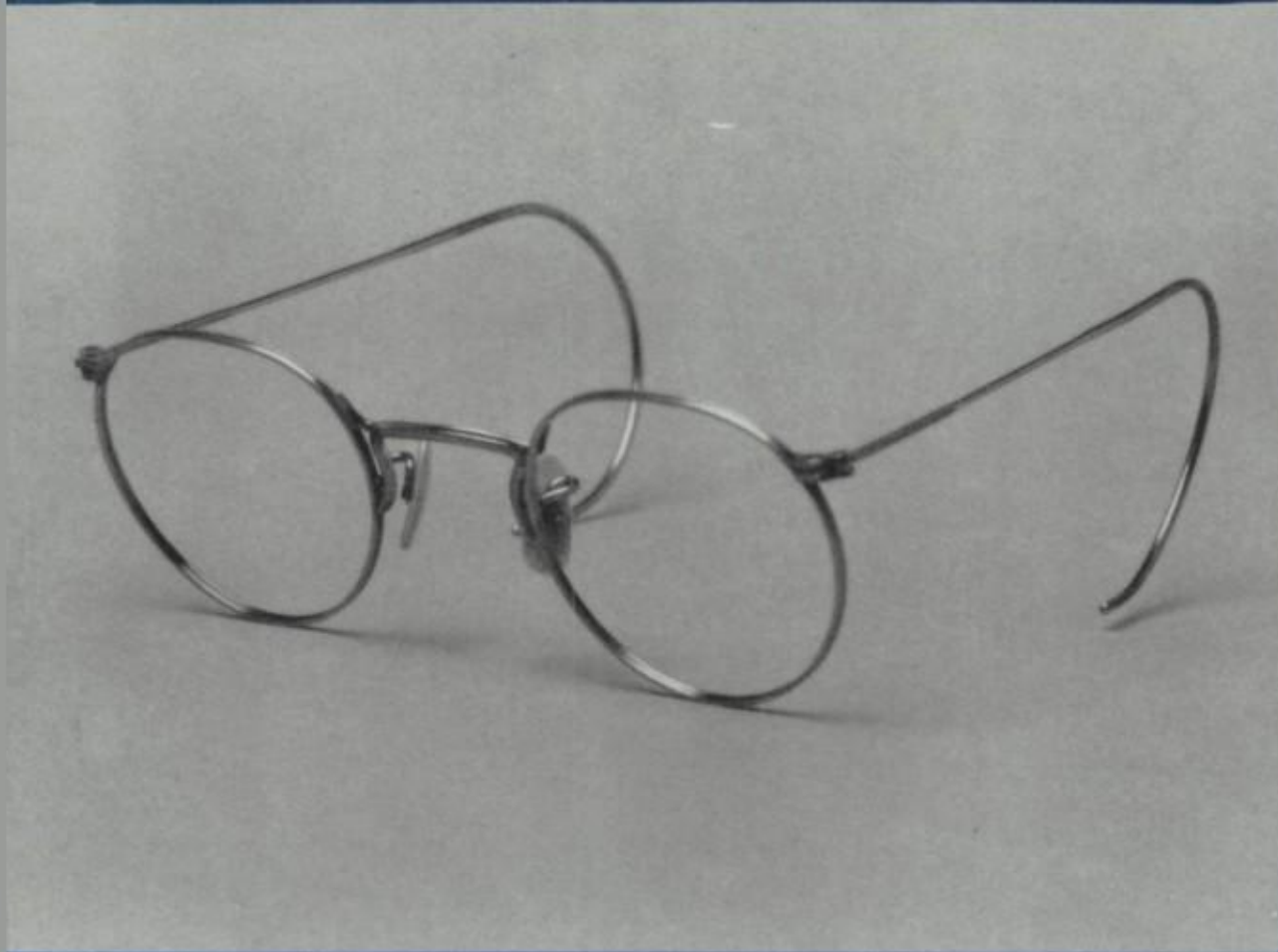
SENIORS

Charles Ripley
Christine Wilford

The Annual Awards Night was held May 5 in the Spring Branch High School auditorium. About 125 different awards were presented. According to Nathan Zibilski, senior principal, the awards were given "to recognize outstanding students academically for service and for outstanding performance."

The awards were given in Language Arts, Athletics, Business, Science, Social Studies, Home Economics, Industrial Arts, and Vocational courses and for perfect attendance. The departmental awards were chosen by the teachers of each department, and the club awards were selected by the club sponsors.

1. Roxane Mlcak holds the Biddy Dodd Elkins Award while Mr. Lee Smith, representing the Bruin Brigade Booster Club, explains the criteria of the award.
2. Andrea Jensen happily listens to the announcement of all her awards.
3. Terri Garrison modestly receives a merit certificate for her outstanding work in her Vocational Adjustment class.
4. Lee Montz receives a scholarship presentation from Mr. Litherland, Treasurer of the Spring Branch-Memorial Sports Association.
5. Mr. Nathan Zibilski organizes merit certificates for Awards Night.



Administration: It's A Matter Of Principal



Ronald
Jettison



Mary Lynn
Johnson



Bill
McGlaun



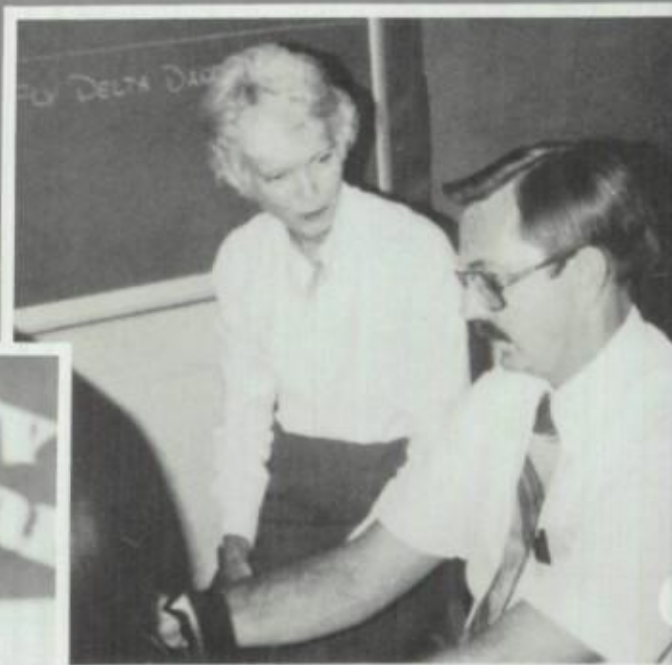
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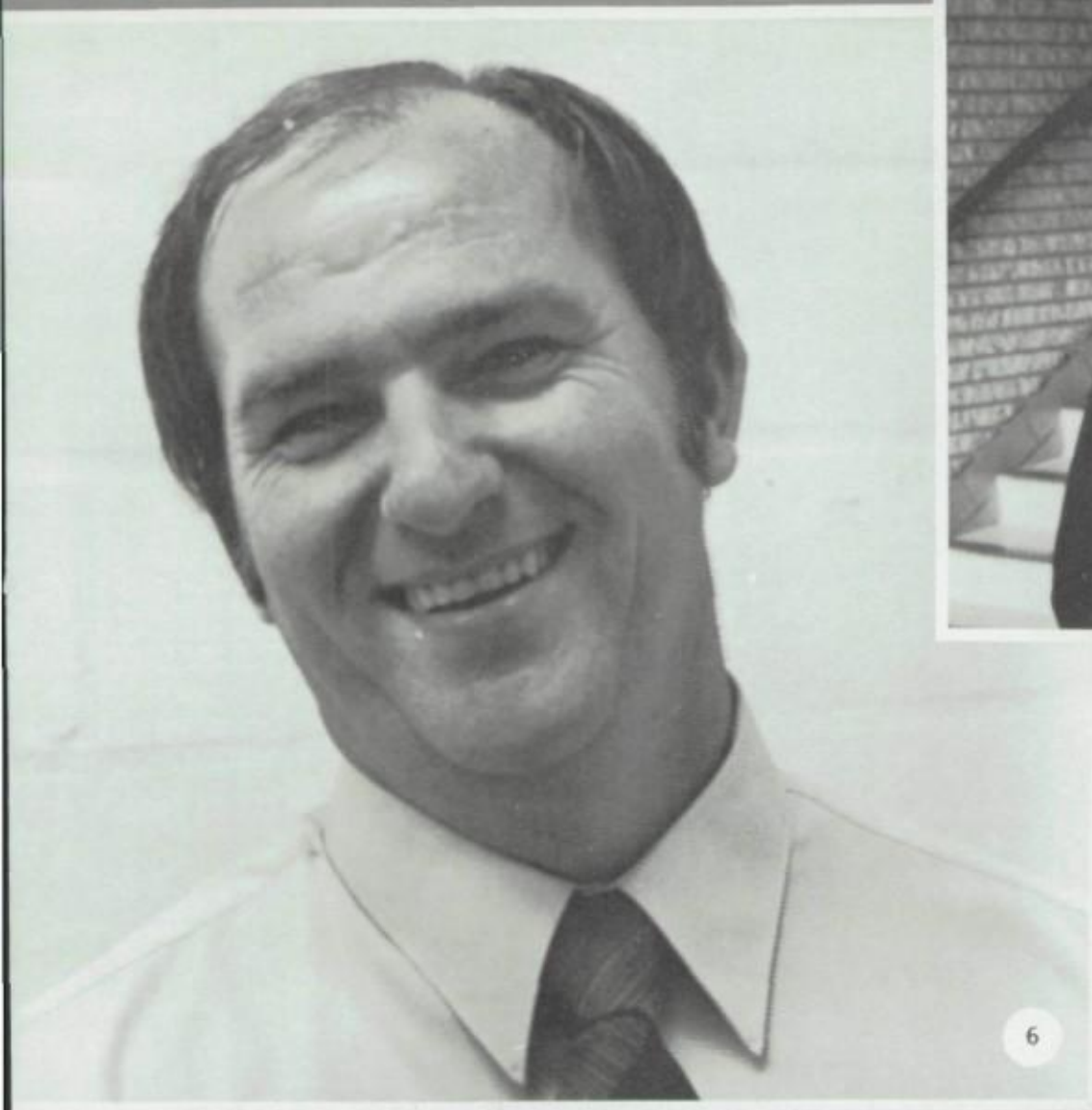


Blendon
Riefkohl



Nathan
Zibalski





1. "It's the next best thing to being there," thinks Mr. Nathan Zibilski. 2. "That's a good one!" laughs Mr. Joe Kohl-mair, coordinator of secondary PE, about Mrs. Johnson's jokes. 3. Head Principal Bill McGlaun checks to see if he is Indy 500 material when he experimented with the flight simulator in the in the aviation class. 4. Clad in Slave Day costume, Principal Nathan Zibilski asks, "Wanna toga?" 5. Mr. Rietkohl gets the detentions assigned and out of the way. 6. "I ought to be in pictures," thinks Mr. Reap. 7. "Oh well! It was either this job or warden at Alcatraz," thinks Mr. Bill McGlaun.

When I come through the front door every morning, I don't think of it as coming to work. I still feel that I'm going to school every day . . . "

Mr. Bill McGlaun, entering his third year as building principal of Spring Branch High School, related why his job has become an enjoyable experience and a morally benefiting element of his daily life.

Mr. McGlaun, a native of Angleton, Texas, went directly into the educational field after graduating from Lamar University in 1965. His first job was a two-year teaching position at Victoria High School in Victoria, Texas.

He then entered the Spring Branch Independent School District, working six years as a biology teacher at Memorial High School. His next advancement was to the assistant principal's position at Spring Woods Jr. High. He later worked as a counselor at Northbrook High School for three years. Since he had known Mr. Gene Dusek for several years, McGlaun was offered the administrative principal's position here at Spring Branch at the same time that Dusek became building principal during the 77-78 term.

After, McGlaun took over the building principal position from Mr. Dusek. Dusek

was discovered to have a cancerous brain tumor and served his final year as a consulting principal to Spring Branch High School.

Mr. McGlaun explained that he focused his career on the administrative sector of the field while studying for his advanced degree in education.

McGlaun described the technical aspects of his position.

"The major task of the building principal is to limit student apathy and strengthen the academic motivation of the entire student body. My personal goal as building principal is to get the school fitting the needs of its students and the community. I want to convince the students that school can be enjoyable."

"The job requires a lot of time away from home. My family has had to adjust to the three or four week nights that I often attend meetings.

"I have tried not to keep my problems at work away from my home. I enjoy working at home, and I believe that it helps both of us if my wife is familiar with the problems that I am working on at school."

Gary Mitchell



Big Wheels Keep On Turning

"The main purpose of schools is to teach students, not to provide a job for the superintendent," stated Henry Wheeler, superintendent of the Spring Branch Independent School District.

From September, 1980 to December, 1980, the SBISD initiated many new programs for what the board thought would be a district with a much declined enrollment.

"Enrollment dropped a lot less than we predicted," said Wheeler. "And we're pleased. High schools overall are up in enrollment."

Spring Branch High, second in prediction of growth, was 130 over the prediction of 1902 students.

Other things which have affected SBHS have been the mandate which limits selling "junk foods" on school campuses and the pilot program aimed at bringing up attendance at SBHS. The Agriculture Department's mandate, a ruling which shocked many students, received little attention in later weeks.

"To my knowledge, the mechanics of the attendance program have worked," said Wheeler. "Our feeling is that attendance is up around three percent. Attendance at SBHS is starting to come up to that of other high schools in the district."

Another new program for the new year was the Special Assignment Center, or SAC. The center, located behind the Spring Branch fieldhouse, was set up for those students who commit serious offenses. SAC was used as an alternative to long-term suspension. These students spend their days doing their work in isolation.

One of the main concerns of this year was the rising occurrence of vandalism to the schools. To "crack down" on the vandalism, the school district initiated the Special Assignment Center, put alarm systems in the schools, and used policemen to patrol the campuses more often. All of this seemed to have helped to bring down the vandalism.

-Steve Bunch-

1. School Board members: (front: left to right) John P. Holloway, Dr. Evelyn Clark, Eugene Juergens, (back) John Buchanan, Dr. Jack Christi, Helen Huey, Henry Wheeler, Herman Botard. 2. "Good Guys Wear White Hats" was the theme of the annual Spring Branch convocation held in the coliseum August 14. Seven teachers from the Spring Branch Independent School District were recognized for outstanding service. Mr. Jim Manford, ICT teacher, (back: far right) and Mr. Frank Rice, drama instructor, (back: second from right) were recognized from Spring Branch High. 3. Journalism students attended the October Press Conference at the Administration Building. (Front: left to right) Craig Chappell, photographer; Susan Donaldson, photographer; Mr. Henry Wheeler, superintendent; Mrs. Mary Kay Coleman, coordinator of Information Services; (back) Steve Bunch, *Bear Facts* co-editor; Kyle Todd, executive Student Council president; Margaret Roberson, educational writer.





Robert
Alves



Ed
Johnson



Lynn
Mathews



Jean
Vann



Candace
Watson



Cara
Wernli

Counselors: You've Got A Friend . . .



"I like working with young people and helping them with their problems, said Miss Cara Wernli when asked to discuss her career as a high school counselor.

The fair-complexioned, middle-aged former government teacher is regarded a hard worker by students and faculty. A caring attitude is her trademark.

"You get out of something exactly what you put into it," Wernli said.

Wernli, who hails from a small Central Texas town, has some helpful advice for young people. "A young person must think before he acts. Young people need to be aware of their surroundings."

According to Wernli, her most important piece of advice for students is, "Don't break the law."

Wernli received a Bachelor of Arts degree in government from Texas Tech University. She has a master's degree in counselling.

-John Jalowy

Behind The Scene: Spring Branch Secretaries . . .



Joyce
Allen



Cynthia
Caldwell



Joetta
Dowell



Patricia
Garza



Betty
Gregory



Jamie
Horn



Martha
Koriath



1. Jamie Horn,
secretary, smiles
through her day.
2. Joetta Dowell
takes her job in
stride.



"The greatest strength of being a secretary is being happy and liking your job," said Joetta Dowell, Principal Bill McGlaun's secretary. Mrs. Dowell has been at Spring Branch for four years. Mrs. Dowell, who is called "Jody" by everyone, considers Spring Branch High unique.

"I think it is the togetherness of the students and staff that make this school special. The students and staff are close."

One of the highlights of Dowell's life was meeting Billy Graham.

"He just walked up to me at the Choir Crusade in Houston and started talking," she remarked, beaming.

A Bible opened to an appropriate verse is commonly found on the corner of Dowell's desk.

Dowell, who has been involved with public schools since 1961, has also worked as a cashier and typesetter. "My high school music director inspired me to be a band and orchestra director," recalled Dowell. "I lacked nine hours finishing my college degree when I married my husband so I never reached that goal."

Dowell plays nine instruments, crochets, sews, and cooks in her spare time.

Michelle Winters



Elrose
Kostak



Jeane
Marquart



Margie
Necessary



Donna
Null



Ila
Reinhardt



Audey
Smith



Ruth
Varnale

Library: Check It Out!

Housing titles such as the *A&P Cooking and Shopping Guide to The Zuni Indians*, the Spring Branch library is more than a fanciful array of books.

Over thirty thousand books, which aid in research, provide information, and entertain, are in Learning Resource Center.

The LRC is well-used, according to Mrs. Kay Land, librarian. "It seems that 1980-81 has been our best year yet as far as student use. During a research project, 150-300 students use the library each day."

Extensive research materials, including 12 sets of encyclopedias, atlases, almanacs, and dictionaries, are just a part of the LRC.

"Our strengths include our new video system of which we're very proud," said Mrs. Land.

The informational newspaper clippings for the vertical files are cut out each day by Bette Newman.

"I look for articles about politics, national news, new medicines, and general current events," she said.

To function smoothly each year, the library follows a strict budget.

"Last year, we spent \$11,200 for books, \$5,000 for magazines, and \$6,480 for audio visual equipment. The rest was used for supplies," said Mrs. Land.

According to the librarians, theft is a large problem in the LRC. Recently, the school issued a new rule stating that each student using the library must have a pass, even at lunch.

"This is not to make using the LRC more difficult but to restrict its use to those students who are serious about studying," said Mrs. Land.

1. David Smock, senior, explores the LRC. 2. Librarian Zerlene Gruezner searches for overdue books. 3. Mrs. Zerlene Gruezner. 4. Mrs. Kay Land. 5. Mrs. Bette Newman.



Zerlene
Gruezner



Kay
Land



Bette
Newman





Pam
Barnett



Robin
Brackett



Rebecca
Brantley



Mary Stewart
Burgher



Patricia
Burton



Rebecca
Donohue



Jack
Eastham



Judith
Elam



Martha
Latham



Carol
Loyd



Sally
Moseley



Ellen
McKenna



Richard
Prewitt



Nonie
Ripley



Susan
Robertson



Nancy
Rodgers



Blanche
Tyner



Irene
Wicker



Mary Lou
Wightman



English Is All - Write!!



"I caught my first fish when I was four years old," said Ms. Patti Burton, English teacher and veteran of many fishing trips.

"I started fishing when my dad put a hook on a flag pole, and I caught a wash-tub full of catfish."

When Ms. Burton goes deepsea fishing, she usually tries to catch kingfish or red snapper by using squid or cut bait.

"Don't cast your line straight down," advised Ms. Burton concerning deepsea fishing. "The fish are usually in the holes or deep spots which the boat captain will locate and pull over."

When asked why she became an English teacher, Ms. Burton said, "My grandmother, who was a

principal and a teacher, inspired me to follow her example."

Ms. Burton's teaching career has included an assortment of interesting experiences.

"I taught for two years in an inner city school and became the boys' PE Department Chairperson," she said with a smile.

"Early in my teaching career, I taught a senior English class that had a large percentage of tough-looking young men in it. Half-way through the year, I learned they were from the state penitentiary down the road. They were participating in an educational program."

-Eric Lane



1. Chris Rathkamp and Janie Wojdyla complete an English assignment while Brad Creel tries to cheat. 2. Mrs. Mary Lou Wightman, creative writing teacher, surveys the school's tennis courts prior to the Student-Faculty Tennis Tournament. 3. Patti Buchanan, sophomore, presents her persuasive speech in Mrs. Pam Barnett's English class. 4. Sally Moseley, English Department Chairman, informs a photographer that she does not want to be on Candid Camera.



"It is society's attitude rather than our educational system which should be altered," said Mrs. Nancy Rodgers, English teacher, who seems almost too cute to be a thinker.

"By the time students are seniors, it is too late to change the way they feel about learning. The idea that we should all be educated to do something needs to start at home. Being educated doesn't only mean having a college degree," explained Mrs. Rodgers.

Mrs. Rodgers went to the University of Texas and received her B.S. degree in education.

"I found myself a junior, and I had no idea what I was doing." Here she gives a throaty chuckle. "My mother was a teacher and my father, who is the dearest in the world, had a sort of victorian view of women. He told me that if I ever wanted to have a family and babies . . . the whole bit, then teaching would be great . . . BECAUSE . . . I would get time off to spend at home." She rolled her eyes.

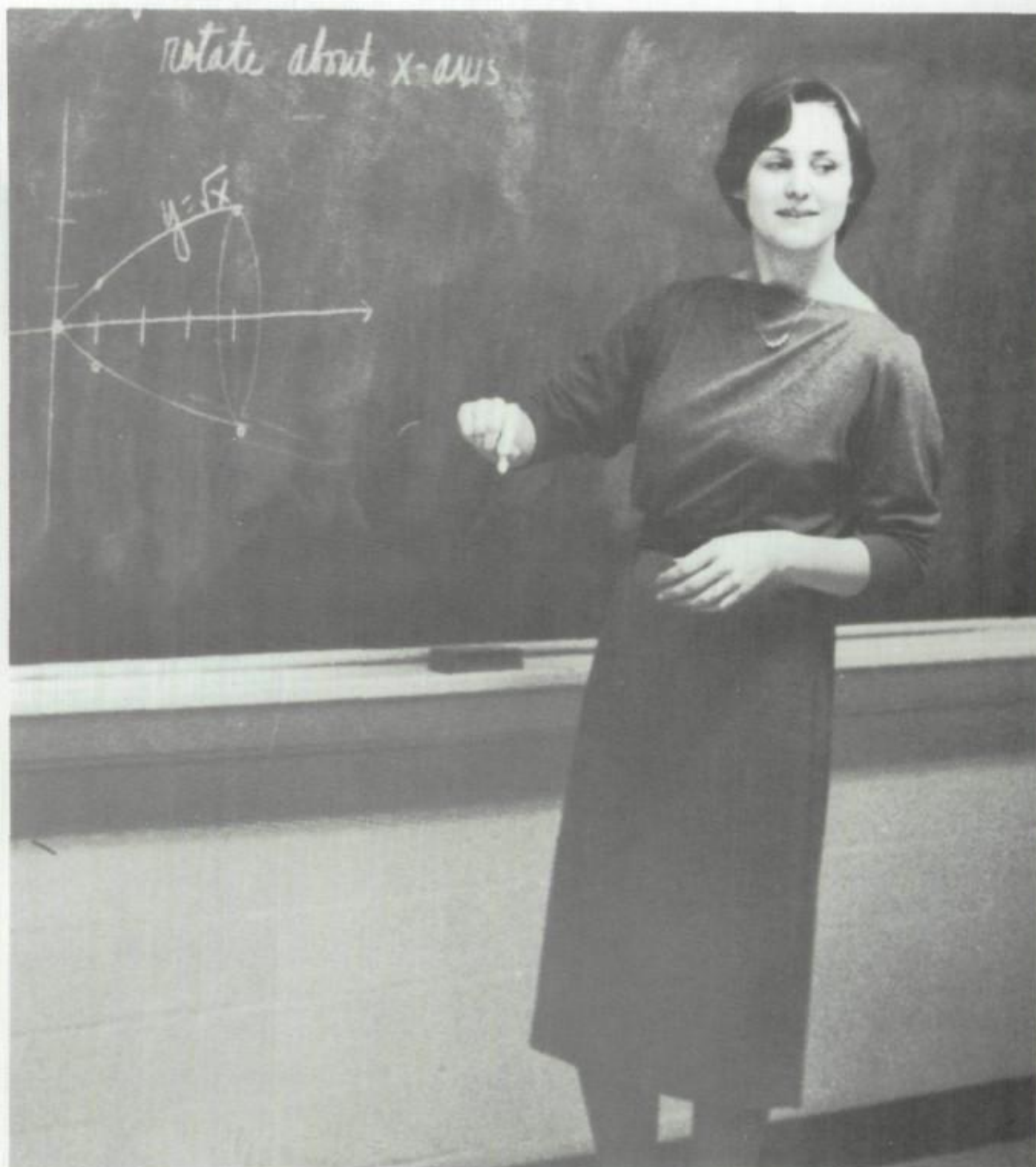
Mrs. Rodgers grew up in a family with two brothers. Her older brother, she feels, was an academic super-achiever.

"I never wanted to be that way, you know, a real grind. I wasn't going to let my social life suffer. That sounds silly, but I think that to be able to put so much into one aspect of your growth, another part of your development will end up lacking.

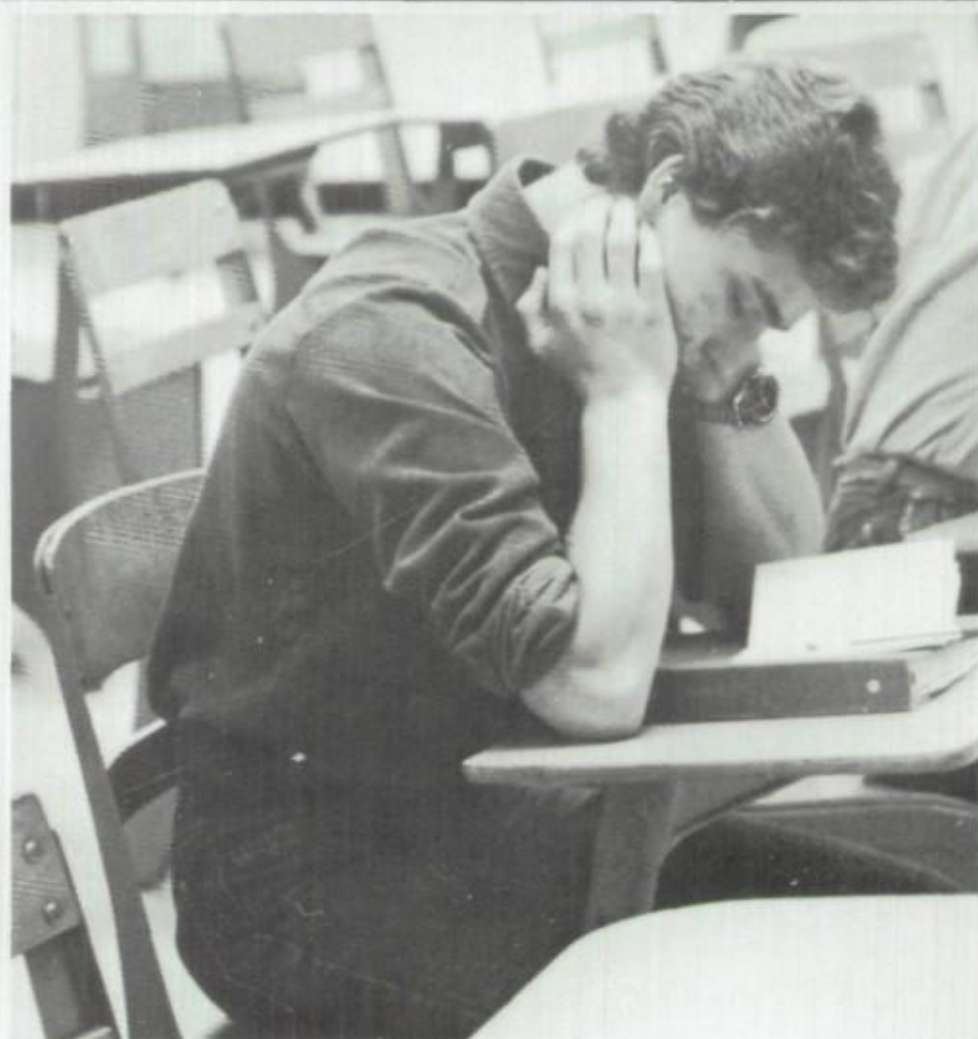
"I'm not and never was a very competitive person. I didn't like to compete for grades. Maybe because there was always the chance that I would put forth my best, and it wouldn't be good enough. That's one reason I like skiing — it's just you against the mountains."



Math



It's The
Thought
That
Counts





"Whatever the level of my students, I want to help them achieve as much as possible," said Mrs. Linda Alderman, math teacher.

"Sometimes students consider math a turn-off. I want students to enjoy it," she said.

Alderman has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in math from Oakland University in Michigan. When asked if she had always wanted to be a teacher, she replied, "I can't think of a time when I wanted to do anything else. I started tutoring in high school and just enjoyed doing it. However, I wanted to be teacher even before that."

The Detroit-born Alderman acquired braces in August. "I had a choice between wearing dentures by the time I was 30 and wearing braces. I chose the braces," she said, flashing a smile.

Alderman is considered a strict disciplinarian.

"By high school, I feel students are responsible for their actions and should take the consequences for those actions," she concluded.

Kenneth Lawrence



Linda Alderman



Mary Blackman



Delores Buller



John Crain

1. Mary Blackman, math instructor, shows "Y" she is an "X-tra" special teacher. 2. Kasten Walther, senior, shows great interest in math class. 3. Linda Alderman, geometry and Algebra II teacher, flashes her sparkling smile (while grading tests!). 4. Gwen Robberson works with students in computer math.



Margaret Dement



Barbara Fox



Theresa Hannon



Kay Hooper



Gwen Robberson



Barbara Skiles



Linda Tennyson



Mozelle Williams



Social Studies . . . Has It All

Ruth Gray is remarkable. She is uniquely and ultimately Ruth Gray. The bun, the soft voice, the simplistic attire are deceiving to the shallow person who does not recognize her depth of character and mind. Her measured appearance exemplifies her priorities, for her insightfulness and awareness far exceed that of most people, even most teachers.

Gray suggests that the shortcomings and imperfections in the educational system stem from many causes (i.e. the disintegration of the nuclear family, government beaurocracy, lack of respect for authority, lack of perception as to the vitalness of education).

A teacher for eight years, Gray believes schools and students have changed as well as the direction in which they are heading.

"I'd like to see the attitude of students change so they like to learn more," she said. "That's the main thing. That's three-fourths of the battle.

"There's a frightening lack of curiosity and motivation among many students. Students want immediate gratification. They don't want to work for it or postpone some fun activity for it. It should be easy and fun. Some things just aren't fun but are necessary," Gray continued.

According to Gray, the difficulty extends to the school system. Gray said the purpose of education is to "expose students to all the thoughts that have gone on before; to pass on what has been learned by previous generations."

"When you find someone that refuses to learn or won't learn up to his capacity, it's very frustrating. But I enjoy teaching; otherwise, I wouldn't be here."

Outside school, Ruth Gray is interested in her family and is involved in a rather odd hobby — beekeeping.

"Beekeeping is something I've always been interested in. My family thought I was a little crazy, but they're interested now. They let me do all the work, and they watch the bees."

To get started with bees, Gray took a class, obtained one hive and a swarm of bees. Last year she got 20 gallons of honey. This year she formed a second hive. The 30 minutes she spends on her bees each day, she feels are very worthwhile.

"It's the only hobby I know that you can get a direct monetary return on," she added.

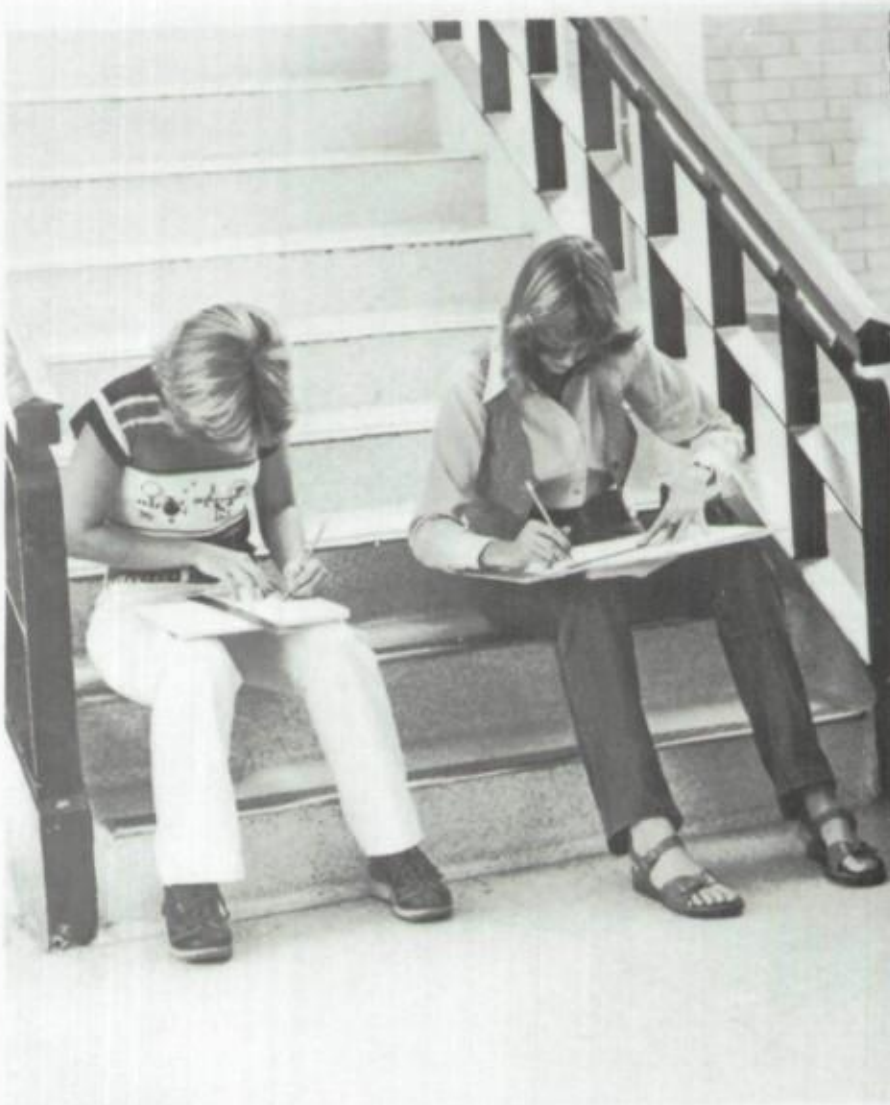
There's a third reason Gray enjoys beekeeping.



Mrs. Ruth Gray checks the bee hives in her backyard.

"During the Oiler games, I get some comb and chew and chew and chew. I had the advantage over Bum, he had to spit, and I didn't."

-Patti Flint



These students prepare for a government quiz.



Kyle Todd, left, traveled to Washington, D.C. in January as part of the close up program.

Spring Branch High School will represent Texas at the National History Fair to be held in Washington, D.C. June 11-13. SBHS students won at the district, regional and state levels which entitled them to represent Texas in this competition. The group project, which won first place in Texas at the History Fair held in San Antonio on May 1-2, was based on the theme, "Work and Leisure in History." The winning entry was entitled "Change: Work and Leisure in the U.S. — Work and Leisure in Vietnam."

The students who worked on this project were Chi Ha, Thu Tam Nguyen, Phuong, Ha, Coung Do and Khanh Phan. Sponsors of the project were Mrs. Mary Hales, World History teacher, and Mrs. Peggy Fraser, Chairman of Social Studies Department.



Charlene Boettcher



Betsy Crowe



Sandra Donaldson



Holly Drews



Ruth Gray



Marjorie Hales



Virginia Macshane



William Maxcy



Dwayne May



Demetra Strawman



Lea Ann White



John Yaccino

Mrs. Peggy Nan Fraser, social studies chairperson, has taught at Spring Branch for 14 years. Why does she like teaching? "I love working with young people to help them reach their full potential," replied Mrs. Fraser. "Not only do I teach students, they teach me! I learn so much just listening to their comments!"

Mrs. Fraser has specific ideas about her role as a teacher. "I try to see each student as an individual, not just part of a group," she said. "A teacher has to be combination of many things. She or he has to be fair, have a knowledge of the subjects and more important he has to like the classroom."

"I think the reason I love teaching is because my family always supported me," she said. "I am very family and religious oriented." Married for 31 years, Mrs. Fraser, has two children of her own and two grandchildren.



A graduate of Texas Tech University, majoring in government, Mrs. Fraser said, "Traveling and music are my favorite hobbies." Her husband and she have traveled around Europe four out of the last five years. She has played the organ ever since she was married!

Mrs. Fraser likes to teach at Spring Branch because she feels the school is the best. "I know almost everyone here: students, teachers, and administrators. But I think the main reason I teach is because I love it when students come back and visit me. They make me feel as if I have done something wonderful!"

-Marianne Wainwright

Spring Branch Business Teachers Are Just Our Type!



1. Angela Spencer, junior, dreams about a world beyond typing class.
2. Mrs. Mary Beth Hutson, teacher of Office Education, arranges a job interview for a Spring Branch student.



Barbara
Baudel



Becky
Cowgill



Mary K.
Jones



Jean
Lea



Jean
Lyons



Bonnie
Thurmond





That's No Lyon!!

"She's a good teacher but don't dare touch a typewriter while she is talking." This is a comment about Mrs. Jean Lyons, business teacher at Spring Branch for 14 years.

Mrs. Lyons is a graduate of East Texas State University where she earned bachelor's and master's degrees.

"I thought I wanted to go to business school and be a secretary. However, Mother insisted on my going to college so I took business courses to be a secretary. In the meantime, I decided I liked college and wanted to stay. I decided I would rather be a teacher," Lyons reflected.

Spring Branch High has one of the largest business departments in the district. The department offers the most courses and has the highest enrollment of any department. In addition to Typing I and Accounting I, which Lyons instructs, Spring Branch offers Typing II, Accounting II, Shorthand I, II, Record Keeping, Office Procedures, Business Law, Business Management and Gener-

al Business.

"Students often go to college and major in subjects that do not help in getting jobs. If people have a skill, they can always find a job," advised Lyons.

There are so many more opportunities for people who major in business field."

Teaching all day and two nights a week does not leave Mrs. Lyons much free time. But she does find time for the things that are most important to her.

"I enjoy my family, and I enjoy my four grandchildren. I attend Church regularly. That is a big part of my life. And when I have time, I enjoy crocheting and reading."

Mrs. Lyons feels strongly about the Business Department and the courses taught. "Each course has something pertinent to offer each student," remarked Lyons. "I would like to see the students recognize the importance of the courses offered."

-Patti Flint



Reading



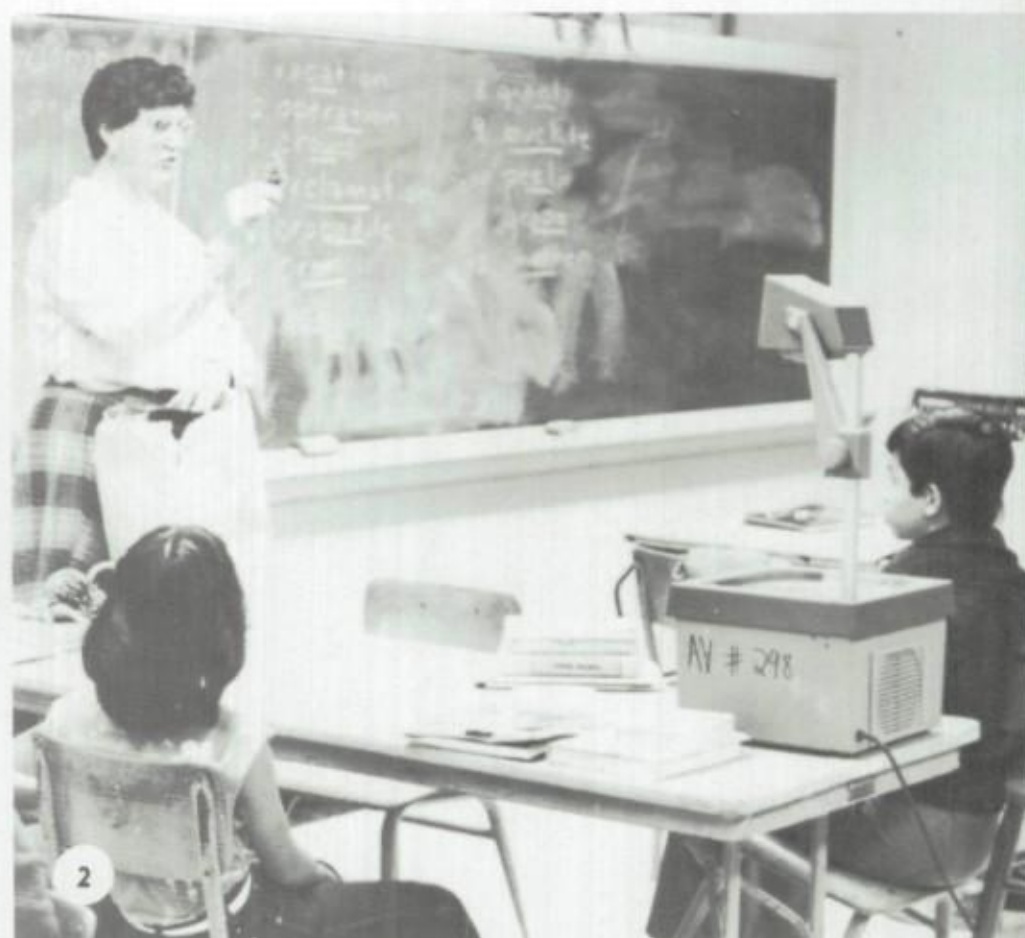
Marilyn
Lasof



Loréne
Hammack



Jo Nell
Gartman



1. Loréne Hammack, reading teacher, shows Stephen Rabbit the fundamentals of reading.
2. Marilyn Lasof instructs foreign students in reading English.



Loréne Hammack teaches reading to non-English speaking students.

"I enjoy teaching students who want to learn," said Mrs. Hammack.

"I've had one or two foreign students for several years. This is the first time that I have had them in a concentrated group, and it was by my request. This way we could do more for the students that don't speak English, and for those that do but need special help in reading."

Mrs. Hammack has 17 students that speak eight different languages in her first period class. They come from Laos, Vietnam, Korea, Mexico, Cuba, Pakistan, Uruguay, and India.

"They vary from no reading to second-grade level, and no English to a small amount of English."

"I start by teaching them the alphabet-capital and lower case letters in print and cursive - and the number system. Then I go into basic concepts like the names of fruits and vegetables, the days of the week, months of the year, seasons, and so on. But if it weren't for sign language, you couldn't teach them."

How does she feel about her non-English speaking students?

"They are very eager learners, very polite. They seem very happy to be with other students in the same boat. They seem to be very fast learners."

"When they are mixed, they are very withdrawn. But when they are in the same class, they laugh and talk," she added.

Teaching non-English speaking students to read can be a very difficult job. One word can have several meanings.

"I think that a great deal of patience is required for teaching students with a language barrier. But I just like teaching, period," Mrs. Hammack concluded.

-Patti Flint

J o u r n a l i s m



1. Julie Beard, Marlene Marino, Vince Mueller, Kelli Vance, Gary Mitchell, Michelle Evans (front) attended ILPC in Austin. 2. Journalism teacher Linda Boyd introduces Hal Lundgren, sports writer for the Chronicle, to J-1 students. 3. Journalism students work on a yearbook layout: John Jalowy, Gina Chessier, Kenneth Lawrence, Marianne Wainwright (standing) and Kelli Vance. 4. Journalism students toured the Houston POST: David Bunch, Peter Jensen, Rosie Pomper, Kenneth Lawrence, Marlene Marino, Jody Schild, Bill Ferguson, Jane Quinn, Julie Beard, Marianne Wainwright, Lisa Blackman, John Stilwell.



Journalism is a small but elite group. This group of students spent hours making deadlines, getting interviews, and meeting people of interest to broaden their knowledge of journalism.



Additional information was brought to the class through outside speakers such as Gary Farrugia, managing editor of the SUBURBIA; Bob Bruce, commercial photographer; Kenny Hand, baseball writer for the CHRONICLE; Les Bennett, CHRONICLE editorial writer; Dana Steele, KRBE disc jockey; Hal Lundgren, CHRONICLE sports writer; Carol Lawson, advertising executive for the HOUSTON POST.

Student reporters' assignments for the year included interviews with such outstanding local personalities as POST columnist Lynn Ashby, former Houston Mayor Lewis Cutrer, HISD Superintendent Billy Reagan, the Derrick Dolls.

Field trips taken by the journalism students included attending the American Bar Association's convention held at the Hyatt Regency in March. Students took notes as Supreme Court Justice Warren Burger discussed the American legal system.

Several students attended local press conferences, and both Journalism I classes toured the HOUSTON POST. Journalism I students joined the publication staffs on their trip to ILPC in Austin in April.

Languages

English as a Second Language was begun at Spring Branch High School three years ago to meet the needs of Oriental students who had come to Houston to escape communism.

The ESL program has the largest enrollment in the district with 120 students.

The ESL program focuses on teaching students English skills so they develop abilities to use the English language in writing and speaking.

ESL has four teachers, Mrs. Helena Paraja and Mrs. Holly Buchanan teach in the program full time. Mrs. Marilyn Lasof and Miss Jane Murdock instruct ESL classes as well as other academic courses. The teachers speak only English in the classes, and the students are asked

not to use their native language during class.

Most of the students enrolled in the ESL program are Oriental, Vietnamese, Laotian, Korean, or Chinese. According to Miss Murdock, the Vietnamese and Laotians have settled in Houston because the warm climate is so similar to that of their native lands.

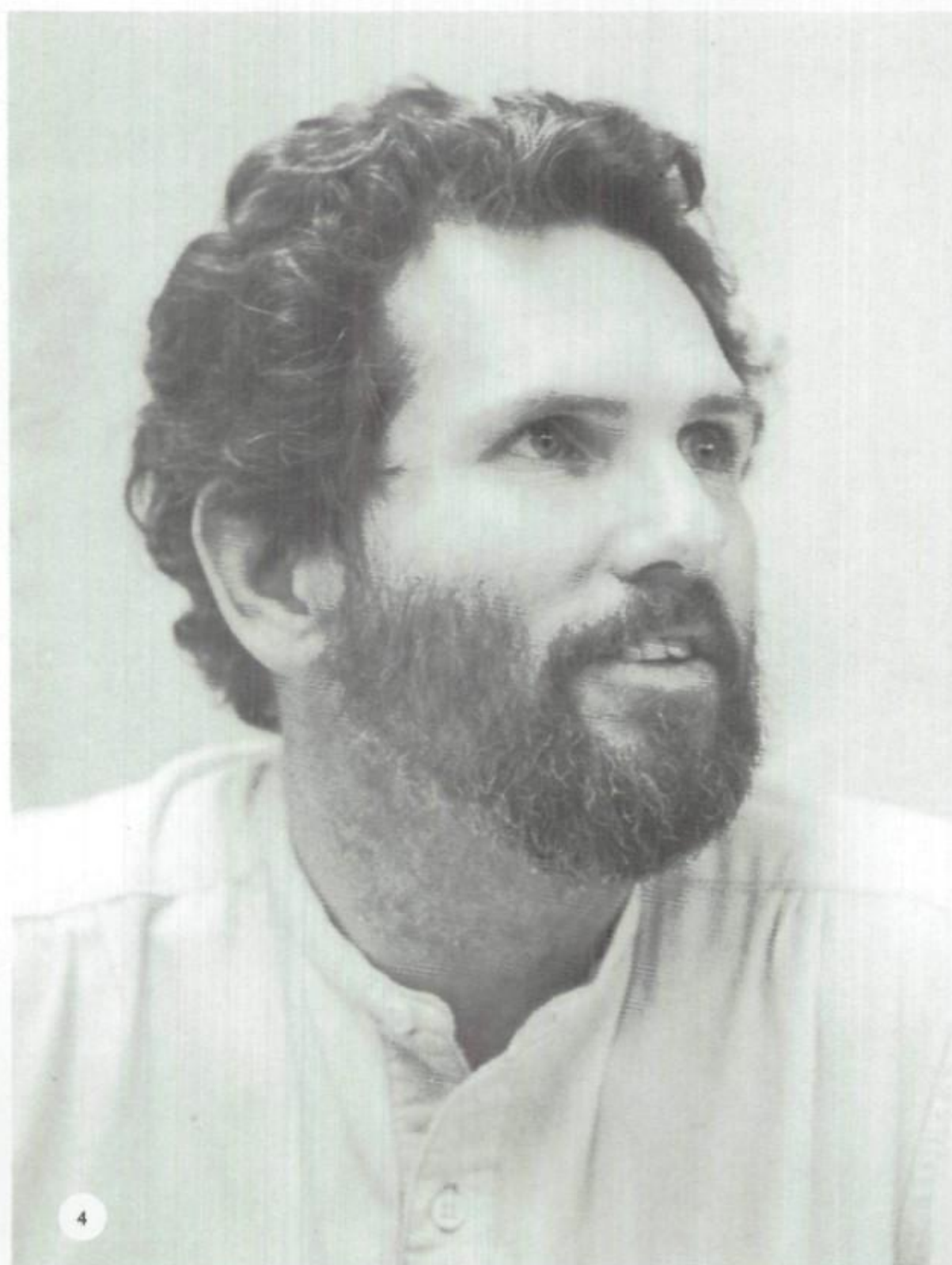
"So many have settled in Houston, too, because of the good job market," Murdock continued.

Murdock pointed out that Spring Branch has many Spanish speaking students who have moved to Houston due to political unrest in their native countries.

The ESL program also includes students from Poland, Czechoslovakia, Iran and Egypt.

Blocks of time, consisting of two-to-four hours of solid English instruction, have been incorporated into the ESL program this year.

Plans for next year include the continuation of the blocks of time with instruction geared to meeting the needs of students at beginning, intermediate and advanced levels of understanding.



"I want to be a good teacher and help further the understanding between people in general," said Dagmar Kidd, new German teacher at Spring Branch High.

Ms. Kidd believes she can be a good German teacher because as a native German, she can communicate the language better.

"I was born in Winzburg, Germany, which is in Franconia, North of Bavaria," Kidd said.

"I went to Texas Tech between January, 1977 to August, 1979. I have Master's and Bachelor's degrees in German and Spanish," she said.

Kidd has many hobbies such as reading, listening to ethnic music and drawing. She also likes folk dancing and doing embroidery.

Kidd said, "I think Spring Branch is a good school and has an out-standing German Club."

-Kenneth Lawrence



Donald
Hall



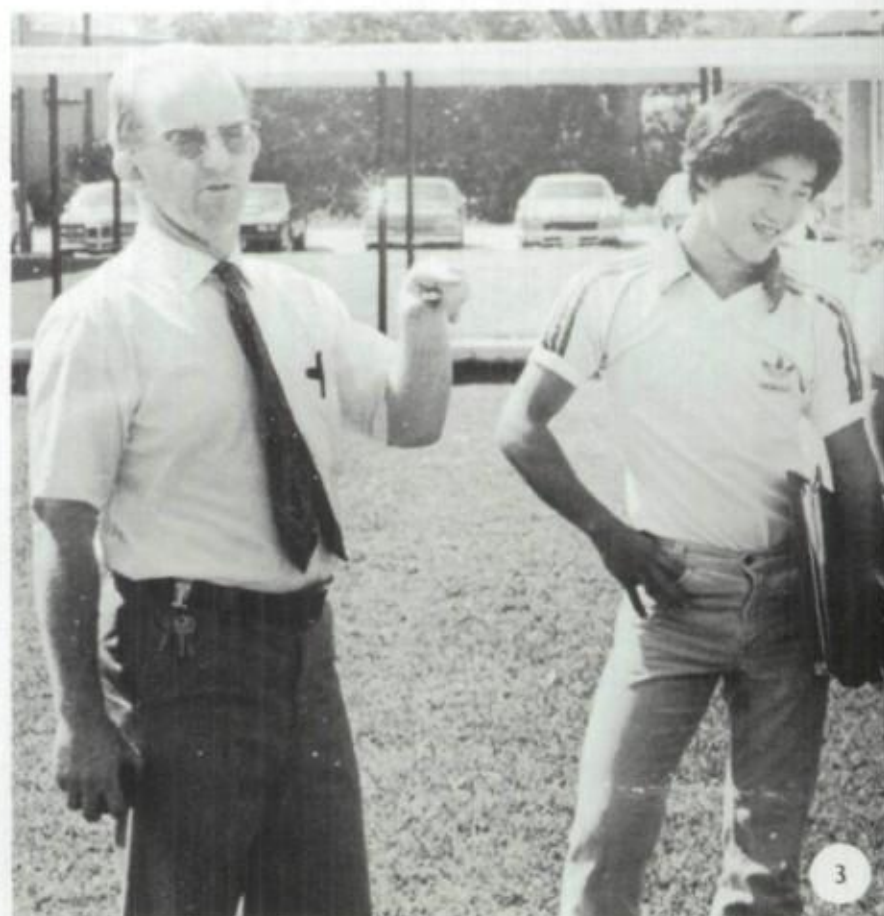
Dagmar
Kidd



Jane
Murdock

1. Don Hall teaches all Spanish courses. 2. Jane Murdock instructs French and ESL classes. 3. Students attending a foreign language party include: Hong Tran, Anh Le, Tuyet Doan, Thanh Nguyen. 4. Pictured here during foreign language week are (back row) Truong Le, Dueng Tran, Hieu Ho, (Next row) Thien Duong I, Hoan Kim Nguyen, Thien Duong II, Inpanh Phenmaha, Marie Santana, Anh Diep, Anh Le, Hoang Lan Tran, Nga Nguyen, Hong Tran, Phuong Tran, Nga Tran, Tuai Nguyen. Seated are Mrs. Paraja, Thanh Nguyen, Consuelo Flores, Mariela Herrera.

Science: Exploring The Unknown



"Science, (the systematic classification of information), separates us from the other animals," said Mrs. Martha Franklin, teacher of biology at Spring Branch High School.

According to Mrs. Franklin, it's man's natural curiosity and desire to conquer the unknown which leads him into scientific studies. "Personally, I think we should seek knowledge for knowledge's sake, not simply for its application to daily living," said Franklin.

Mrs. Franklin's previous education included pre-medical studies, but after taking time out to raise her children, teaching science became a natural interest to her. She also enjoys working with young people.

Along with other basic courses, Mrs. Franklin believes biology and chemistry should be required for students to graduate. "Science also provides necessary information for our Western technology," said Mrs. Franklin. "Another reason why science should be required is to compete with rival countries," she said. According to the *Wall Street Journal*, a University of Chicago study shows "Russian high school students are ten times better educated in math and science than American students."

When asked what Spring Branch High's science courses have to offer, Mrs. Franklin felt she was qualified to answer only about biology, which is an introduction to the understanding of man and his relationship to other animals and his surroundings, from the basic molecular structure to the environment.

KELLI VANCE



Marilyn
Chapman



Carol
Davis



Trish
Decktor



Martha
Franklin



Glenda
Freeman



Karen
Hall



Pat
Hanneman



Clement
Hodges



Margaret
Nelson



Diane
Rogers



Patricia
Tomes



Alexander
Williamson



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6

1. Shannon Fitzgerald and Mr. Alexander Williamson carry on experiments in physics. 2. Kelly Broadway picks apart a frog in biology. 3. Mr. Williamson lets Jinky Hwang and class know who is boss! 4. Larry Lohmann, Tony Cannata, and John Bruce work in aviation class. 5. Jackie White and Lillian Holmes experiment in biology labs. 6. Mr. Hodges instructs Kevin Anderson in physical sciences.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE



The main goal of the special education program is for students to be able to get and hold a job in the community when they graduate.

Mrs. Betty Cook teaches two pre-vocational career classes of freshmen and juniors. "In our classes we introduce and prepare the students by teaching the skills of job hunting, acceptable job behaviors, filling out job applications and interviewing," said Cook. "We also work on hand skills in job stations

and teach students to follow directions to learn a specific skill or make a product," she said. Field trips to community businesses are also a part of these classes' instruction.

Currently there are two VEH programs on campus: Mr. Gerald McDonald's greenhouse program teaches all the skills associated with plants and Mr. Tony Jones' woodworking program demonstrates the use of hand and power tools. A third VEH program, CVAE

office skills, will be added next year. Students can elect to take one of these programs for two years.

Mrs. Lea Corrington is the Vocational Adjustment Coordinator. Her job is to find jobs for the students and continue an ongoing evaluation with employers of each student. Students, in their senior year, must hold a job for 26 weeks, working a minimum of 30 hours a week in order to graduate.



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1. Kurt Juergens, journalism student, (center) poses with Michael Krebs, Thomas Valsecchi, Grace Ryan, Charles Bond, and Mary Zaphiris. 2. Carolyn Jennings works in woodshop. 3. Thomas Valsecchi and Michael Krebs chat as they wait for the bell. 4. Charles Bond smiles for the camera. 5. Myles Barman works in metal shop.



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Gerald
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Smith



SHOPS



The shops, including wood shop, metal shop and drafting, give students the opportunity to learn things they may not find in the more academically-oriented subjects.

The shops give students the chance to work with unusual tools. They not only learn to use these tools, but they learn to use them safely.

Safety plays an important part in shop. The students who operate the tools must wear protective goggles, remove all jewelry and roll up their sleeves to avoid getting them caught in some of the machines.

After graduation, many students use their skills to go into industrial welding, drafting, engineering, and carpentry.

Some students take shop courses for the opportunity of building something they can point to with pride. Building gives some students a sense of accomplishment, a feeling of having skills and abilities to do something special.

Although the courses are still dominat-

ed by boys, more and more girls are getting interested in a career using the skills that they can learn through the shops.

1. Jose Gonzales saws the wood needed for his woodshop project. 2. The number of girls enrolled in shops has increased over the years. Lisa Evans takes drafting. 3. Brian Voelkel puts some finishing touches on his table. 4. Kevin Murray and Boyd Coraway discuss one of the drawings in drafting. 5. Richard Evans worked vigorously on his table. 6. Anthony Jones, teacher, uses a planer. 7. Richard Foushee teaches General Construction Trades. 8. Anthony Jones works with VEH Construction students. 9. Herb Layne has taught Metal Shop for over 20 years. 10. Marc Pollicove teaches Woodshop. 11. Artie Rollins instructs drafting classes. 12. Small Engine Repair is taught by Maurice Truesdale. 13. Mr. Foushee's General Construction Trades students work on a drama project.



Physical Education

1. Michelle Loberge and Theresa Fernandez really put Lisa Evans in her place! 2. Fierce cageball players include: Jaquatta Compton, Darlene Carl, Shelly Fisher, Mary Dittrich, Laura Spencer, Shelly Guznoski, Joni Goff, Pam Carter, and Maurene Flannigan. 3. Coach Romero instructs PE students Lisa Murphy and Susan Bankes.



"I enjoy teaching P.E. and I hope to make it more beneficial and enjoyable to the students," said Miss Annette Romero.

Other than volleyball, track and physical education, Miss Romero teaches Earth Science.

"I would like to see softball in the high schools," remarked Romero, concerning the athletic programs available to girls. "Many of the colleges of Texas are top-ranked, but they recruit from out-of-state since Texas high schools have limited athletic programs."

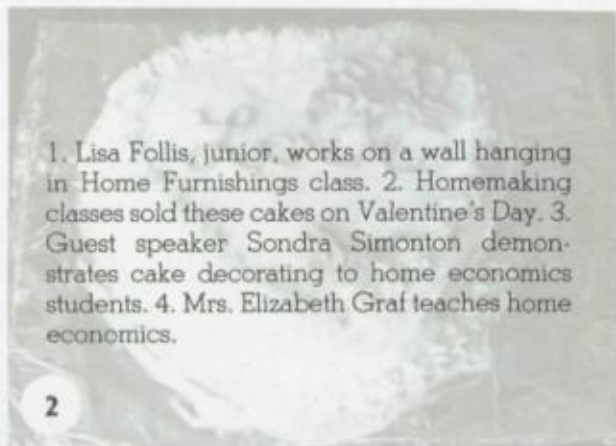
Miss Romero will work on a master's degree during the summer months.

"We are striving to improve our classes and will be able to offer more variety of class instruction as we go on," she said.

Romero also coaches the track team. She coaches the long jump, triple jump, shot put, discus and hurdles.

Home Economics:

Now You're Cookin''



1. Lisa Follis, junior, works on a wall hanging in Home Furnishings class. 2. Homemaking classes sold these cakes on Valentine's Day. 3. Guest speaker Sondra Simonton demonstrates cake decorating to home economics students. 4. Mrs. Elizabeth Graf teaches home economics.

According to Elizabeth Graf, homemaking teacher, homemaking is important because it prepares a person for life.

"I like teaching homemaking because it is so real. Everything I teach I use in real life."

Graf said that living today is less formal. "People do not sew anymore for themselves, and there is more emphasis on family living than there used to be."

The Homemaking Department offers Home and Family Living, Homemaking I,II, Child Development, Home Furnishing and Consumer Education.



Elizabeth Graf



Bonnie Green



Cindy Meyer

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1. Becky Miner, Jannett Alexander, Karen Howell, and Michelle Roberge work intensely on class projects. 2. These dolls were created by Shannon Lohmann.



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Mrs. Patricia Melton has been an art teacher at Spring Branch for four years. Previously she taught at Broward Community College in Florida and in Montana, California.

"I am a practicing wild life artist," Mrs. Melton said regarding her expertise.

"I teach approximately 95 to 100 students a day," stated Mrs. Melton.

Mrs. Mary Ann Jacobsen, the art department's veteran teacher, instructs courses in art at all levels. Jacobsen also stocks the display case in the hall year-round for special occasions.

This year's highlights in the art department included a field trip to the Museum of Fine Arts, Contemporary Arts Museum and Glassel School of Art.

Mrs. Melton and Art III students painted all of the art work on the walls in Mr. Jetton's office during the fall semester.

Concerning the art program at Spring Branch, Mrs. Melton said, "A well balanced program of fine and applied arts is offered to both the beginning and advanced students."

Projects in which students compete each year are drawing, drafting, painting and composition, graphics sculpture, crafts and commercial art.

Art students display their creations each spring at Rombula, a sidewalk art sale held in the school's hallways in mid-May.



Mary Ann Jacobsen



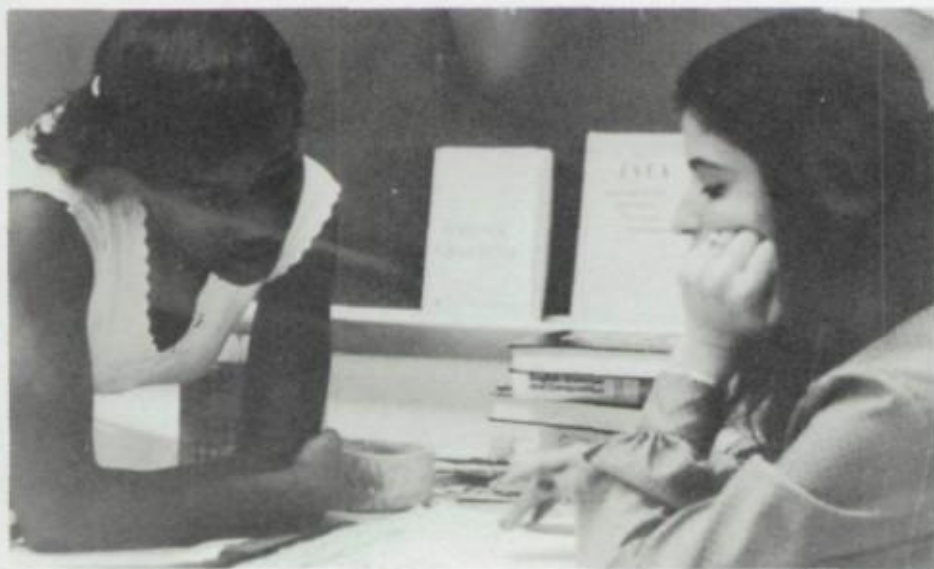
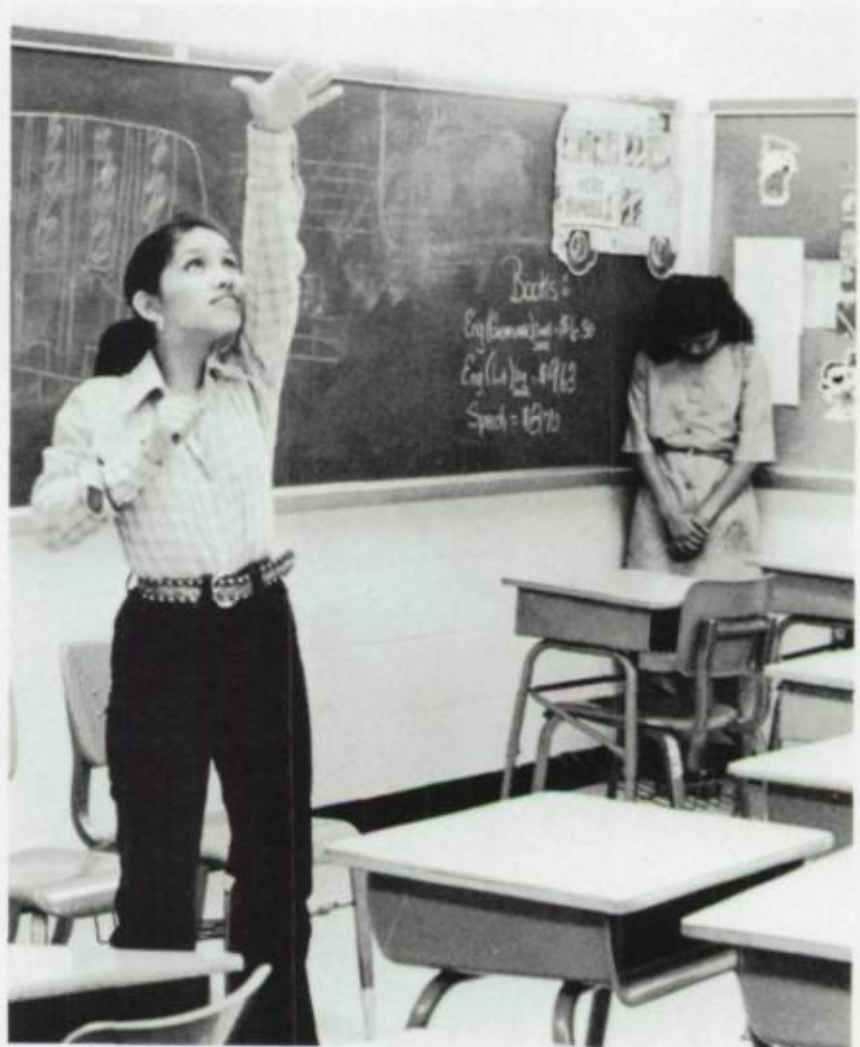
Patricia Melton



Speech/Debate



In duet acting class, Martha Cisneros and Delfina Hernandez act out a scene from *Streetcar Named Desire*. In this scene, the students portray two sisters reuniting.



Miss Joann Corona, speech and debate teacher, discusses grades with Zina Brown.

"Learning how to speak in front of large audiences is a hard thing to do," said Miss Joann Corona, speech and debate teacher. This is why speech and debate classes can be such an advantage. Speech and debate can teach students to work together as a team, to learn what it means to set goals and achieve them.

The National Forensic League is active this year. The N.F.L. team went to meets at Bellaire, Clearlake, Westchester, and Memorial. The out-of-town meets will be Praireview, Friendswood and Corpus Christi.

Some of the students who seem to be doing well in these meets are Thad Swiderski, Jean Goehring, Kevin Kentner, George Christodoulou, Paul Hillegeist, Jeff Hoiden, Eugene Horr, and Bill Duckworth. Events for students to enter include: debate, poetry, prose, humorous, extemp, oratory, dramatic, and duet acting. Preparing for these meets takes a lot of research, staying up with current events, working on speaking ability, going through practice runs trying to get it just right.

A summer workshop is held in Waco, at Baylor University. At these summer workshops, students can gather information on speech and debate, learn the whole meaning of debate, learn techniques of all the areas concerning speech or debate.

There are many scholarship programs offered for outstanding students in speech and debate.

Michelle Evans

Career Center . . . Education In Today's Job Market



1. Career students shown here are working on a typesetting machine. 2. Theresa Warmon, junior, is busy with video computers. 3. High school students also learn to operate duplicators. 4. All types of mechanical skills are taught at the career center.

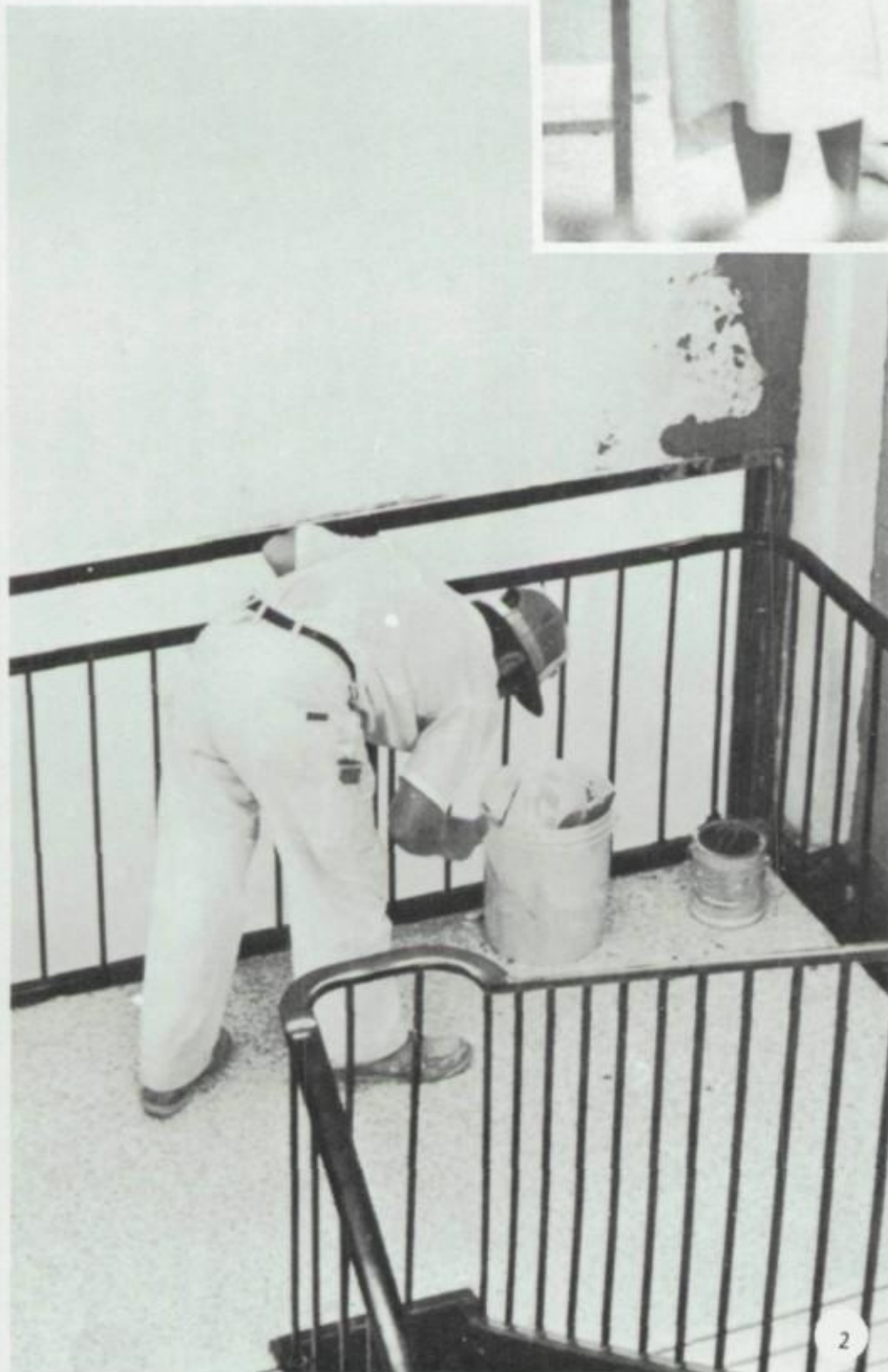
"Students who attend the Career Center are offered a variety of courses," said Mr. J.T. Shivers, head of the SBISD Career Center, located at 10660 Hammerly. Some of the courses offered at the Career Center are Cosmetology, Graphic Arts, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration. Courses at the Career Center are open only to students of SBISD schools.

"More students attend the Career Center from Spring Branch High than any other school," said Shivers. When questioned about whether or not the students get a lot out of the program, Shivers responded, "Yes, many students who graduate from our program make larger salaries than some college graduates today."



They Do It All For You . . .

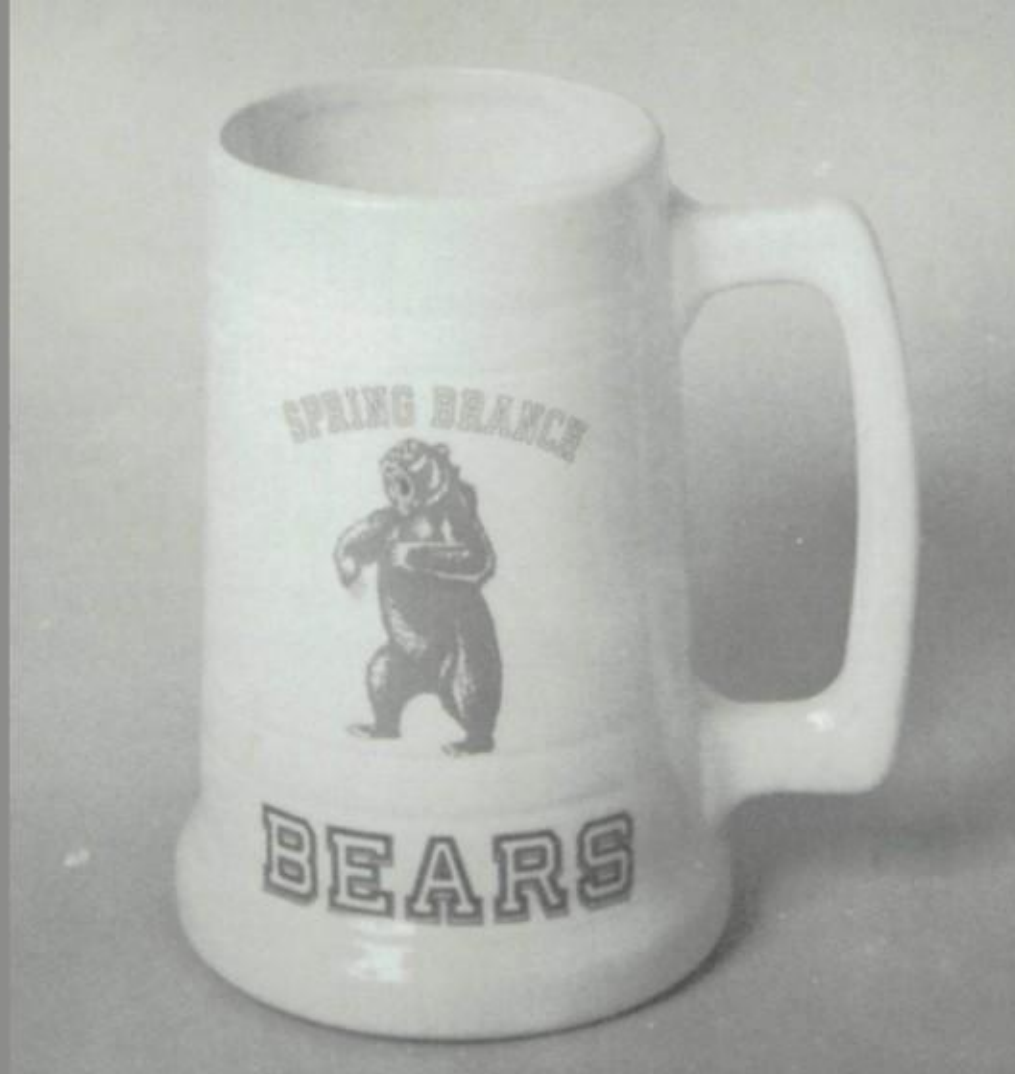
1. Pipoi Wang, Jeanette Beaty and Dorothy Young prepare for a day's lunch. 2. Andrew Alvarez is skillful in maintaining the school property. 3. Rosemary Abbate, cafeteria supervisor, and Evelyn Greason tally up the totals from the lunches.



"We try to serve only what the students want," commented Rosemary Abbate, cafeteria supervisor. "We have a very good selection in that we have four different menus and a variety of drinks," she said. The cafeteria ladies put out at least 700 lunches a day.

"Next year we will be adding new pizza patés and taco patés to the snack bar, Mexican pizza to the combo line, potatoes to the salad bar and possibly a Welchaid jet dispenser," said Jane Tillman, food services supervisor for SBISD. Tillman added, "There may also be a price increase."





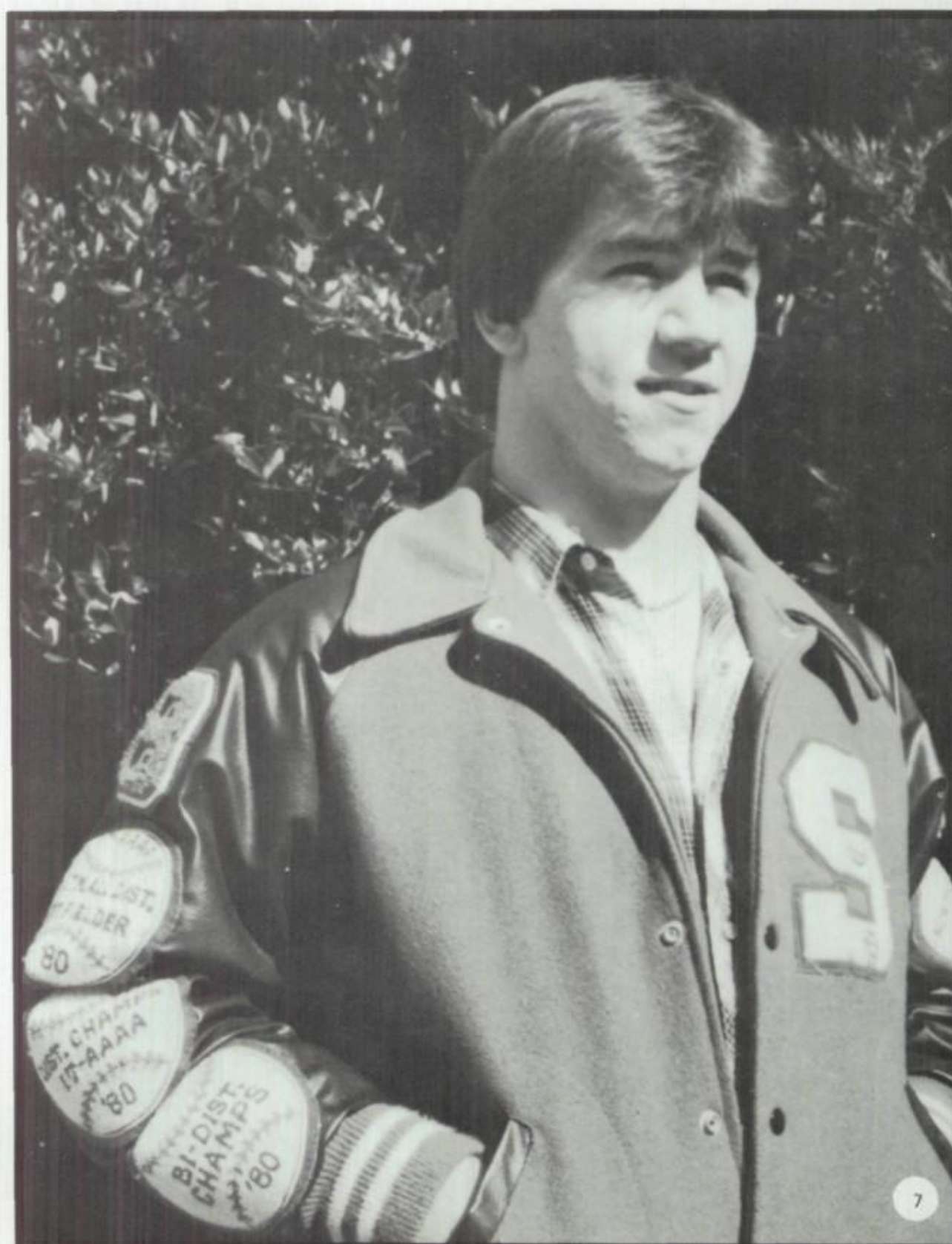
Executive Student Council: The Big Four

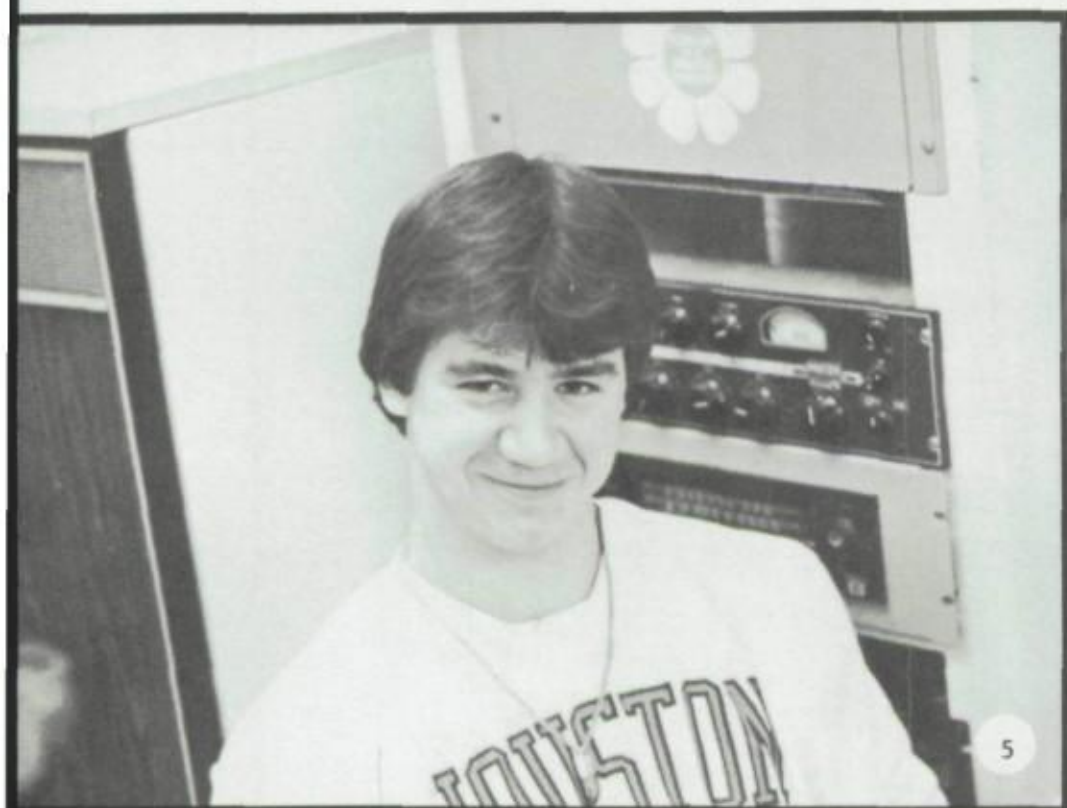
"Being able to help the student body is the reason I joined student council," commented Phyllis Dittrick, treasurer of the executive student council. The executive council is designed to help all the other class councils.

The student council is divided into three different committees. The first is faculty, which was responsible for the faculty breakfast held on December 19. The community committee was in charge of the Blood Drive February 12, and the student body committee was responsible for the Beauty and Brawn dance March 13. The council also held the Back to School dance August 22. They raised about \$1,300, which they needed to carry out the year's activities.

The officers were Kyle Todd, Donna Evans, Tina Tellez, and Phyllis Dittrick. Mr. Ronald Jetton, administrative principal, said, "These student officers give a chance for the student body to be heard through elected officials." Mrs. Nancy Rodgers, sponsor of the student council, stated, "I love being involved with the student council. These kids are absolutely wonderful."

1. Christine Wilford and Tina Tellez coordinated this year's annual Blood Drive.
2. Donna Evans gives the morning announcements.
3. Mrs. Nancy Rodgers served as the sponsor.
4. Students were interviewed by Blood Center volunteers to see if they were eligible to give blood.
5. Kyle Todd reviews the announcement sheets.
6. As Executive President, Kyle Todd attends a press conference at the administration building.
7. Kyle Todd Executive President, has held this position for several years.
8. Executive Vice-President, Donna Evans.
9. Executive Treasurer, Tina Tellez.
10. Executive Secretary, Phyllis Dittrick.





STUDENT COUNCIL LEADS A SUCCESSFUL YEAR



The Freshman Student Council had one fund-raising event this year, the Spring Féver dance held March 13.

Representatives and officers worked together to plan a successful dance. Mrs. Mary Lynn Johnson, principal of the Freshman Class, said, "I seldom get to talk with the Freshman Council since we meet so seldom. This class will have more projects next year. These kids seem ambitious."



1. Reps.: Front row, Cindy Myers, Wendy Sloat, Julianne Horst, Kate Scurria; Back, Laura Wainwright, Laura Spencer, Patricia Brown, Cammie Mitchell, Michelle Evans.

2. Freshman Class Officers: Treasurer, Anna Garcia; Vice-President, Karen Kunkel; President, Karen Cossey; Committee Person, Dianne Bowman; Secretary, Monica Mernies.



The Sophomore Student Council, headed by President Darron Collins, worked hard this year to accomplish its goals. Everyone gave a helping hand to work on the Executive Student Council dance, which took place early in the year. When the valentine sales

came, the Tenth Grade Student Council did an excellent job of writing and selling the valentines and delivering them on time. These sales enabled students to express their feelings toward others. The sophomores also held a dance in the cafeteria on January 9.



5. Reps.: Front, Kelli Vance, Troy Husmann, Jay Winslow, Thad Swiderski, Trish Mooney, Jorge Valdez; Back, Leigh Reeves, Denise Treece, Stacey Willborn, Shannon Maspero, Luci Johnson, Kelly Zatopek, Cherene Reihani.

6. Sophomore Officers: Secretary, Holly Kaufmann; Treasurer, Charelle Goulas; President, Darron Collins; Vice-President, Helen Sierra; Committee Person, Karen Chovanec.



In the middle of the year, the Junior Student Council planned the Junior Non-Prom. President Donny Eckhardt called meetings, so the junior class officers and representatives could decide on its location and cost of admission. The junior class sponsored two dances, the Sweetheart Dance on February 13, and the Almost Summer Dance on May 8.

In the spring, the 11th grade Student Council debated on whether to raise money by having the Powder Puff game or not. The Powder Puff is a game of tag football held in Grob Stadium. Any junior girls may participate in the game, which is coached by junior guys.



3. Junior Representatives: Front row, Scott Hardcastle, Angela Spencer, Tracy Aven, Mike Salley; Back row, Katrina Tatom, Ellen Saha, Kelly Hilterman, Carol Kaufmann, Debby Hill, Jamie Schultz.

4. Junior Class Officers: Treasurer, Kim Little; Committee Person, Kim Thieleman; President, Donny Eckhardt; Vice-President, Debbie Ellison; Secretary, Dina Meza.



The Senior Student Council began its task of earning money for its Senior Prom as soon as school opened. When the 12th grade councilmen conducted the traditional Slave Sale on the mornings of November 19, 20, and 24, many senior guys were auctioned, and a large sum of money was gained. They also collected money to get Mr. Zibilski, senior principal, to dress up on Slave

Day (November 25). Another project the Senior Student Council members were involved with was the Snow Dance, which was held on December 19. After all the hard work, enough money was raised for a memorable Senior Prom presented at the Warwick Club on Friday, May 22.



7. Senior Class Representatives: Front row, Tim Beisert, Chris Taylor, Lisa Evans, Melanie McDonald; Back row, Lisa Huddleston, Jennifer Drastata, Nancy Holub, Jennifer Novak, Veda Montalbano, Lisa Montz.

8. Senior Officers: Treasurer, Kim Kunkel; Vice-Pres., Kim Stinson; President, Christine Wilford; Secretary, Roxanne Mlcak; Committee Person, Bill Morgan.

Spirit: Who Gives A Flip?

The Cheerleaders

"All ten people are special individuals; therefore, the squad as a whole is exceptional. They have really worked hard to be the squad they are," said Sandra Donaldson, sponsor for the cheerleaders. "I couldn't even begin to recall all the people that have said this year's squad is the best Spring Branch has ever had. I feel that comment sums up their talents," said Mrs. Donaldson.

All the cheerleaders seem to have good reasons for being a cheerleader, and they had a lot to say about it. "I wanted to represent our school in the best way possible. I've got to be truthful; there is a certain amount of prestige involved. Also, I thought I would have a great time, and I do," admitted Dana Youngblood, senior. "I wanted to be a cheerleader, because I was a gymnast and thought it would help me as a cheerleader," stated Tina Tellez. "I have always looked up to cheerleaders at Spring Branch and wanted to be one, especially because I like to lead spirit, and I've gotten more enjoyment out of the pep rallies and football games than just sitting in the stands," claimed Veda Montalbano. "I have always played football, and then I stopped growing and the rest of the team didn't. I thought I would rather throw around a bunch of girls than a bunch of sweaty guys. Also, the coach is much better looking," commented Bill Morgan. "I've been in gymnastics for three years and thought cheerleading would be a great way to show off what I have learned," said Isobel Murphy. "I was a cheerleader for about four years when I was younger, and although I didn't want to be a cheerleader now, I wanted to be the Bear. I like being one of the Bears. They have fun," added Evette Reihani. David Devora stated, "I like to be the center of attraction, and the Bear gets it because of the costume." Apparently, all the cheerleaders agreed on one thing; they do it because it's fun.

-Robert Gee



1. Isobel Murphy asks, "Now, how does that cheer go?"

2. The cheerleaders say, "Fight, Bears, Fight."

3. The 1980-81 cheerleaders: Todd Stardig, Isobel Murphy, Bill Morgan, Tina Tellez, Carol Herstein, Jerry Meza, Veda Montalbano, Dana Youngblood.

4. Bill Morgan and Tina Tellez prove that we've got more spirit.

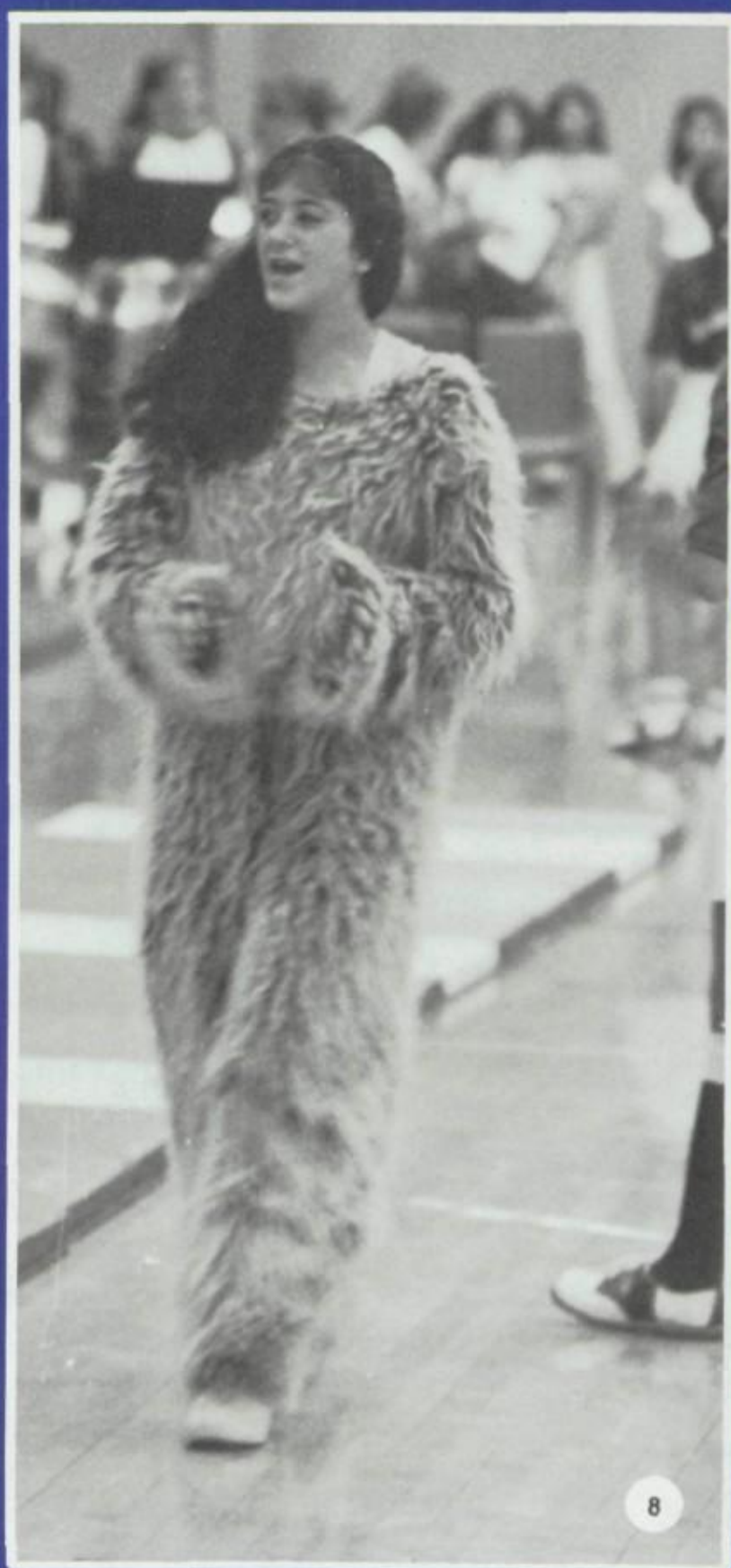
5. Isobel Murphy and David Devora: beauty and the beast.

6. Carol Herstein goes head over heels for cheerleading.

7. Veda Montalbano prepares for another cheer.

8. The photographer catches Evette Reihani without her head on.





F.C.A.: Reaching Out,

Reaching Up . . .

FCA stands for Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and, according to Jimmy Kutchback, president of Boys' FCA, "The goal of FCA is to unite Christians and athletes in fellowship."

Both the boys' and girls' FCA clubs meet every Wednesday night in the field houses. Occasionally the two clubs meet together. At these weekly meetings there are Bible studies, guest speakers, and group discussions on various topics.

FCA also sponsors a number of activities along with its weekly meetings. Among these are picnics, dances, participation in the Bear Backers' Parade, and various fund raising activities. These fund raising activities include a recycling project sponsored by Girls' FCA, and an annual all-night basketball game sponsored by the Boys' FCA. This year, the turn out at the game was low, but, however, the activity was a success, according to Jimmy Kutchback. Each year at this game, there is an FCA all-star adult team composed of ex-athletes and FCA sponsors. This team plays a game against the Spring Branch coaches.

Almost all of the money raised by FCA projects goes towards their State Convention and the National Conference.

The State Convention is held yearly in a major Texas city. This year it was held in Houston at the Hyatt Regency. Nine FCA members, chosen on a volunteer basis, were sent as delegates to the convention. The convention lasts one weekend and the delegates attend lectures and "huddle groups," which are small discussion groups.

The National Conference is a week-long trip held during the summer, which resembles summer camp. This year it will be held in Colorado. During this week the delegates participate in many sports events, Bible studies, quiet times, and lectures given by guest speakers.

Says Jimmy Kutchback, "I enjoy sharing about Jesus Christ with athletes because the relationship is a close bond as it is, and talking about Christianity builds strength and good character."





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Chums

Chums is a spirited and enthusiastic spirit group that supports the Spring Branch football team. This senior women's club was created to add spirit and cheer to Spring Branch High. Upholding the Bear-backing tradition, the 1980-'81 Chums spread their spirit through all its projects. The club made football tear-throughs, performed skits at pep rallies, and sponsored the Dome-Bound Dance in November. Halloween brought goodies for the teachers, and at Christmas, the Chums decorated the tree in the main hall.

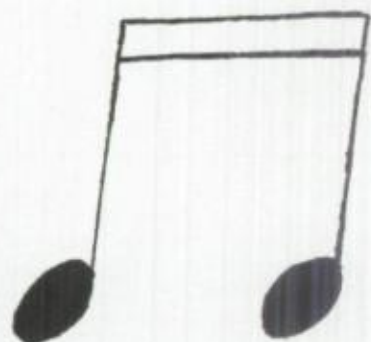
"This year, instead of Scholar of the Week, we had Bear-Keeper of the week," said Phyllis Dittrich, president of Chums. Chums also spread their coveted spirit by awarding the faculty with "Teacher of the Week," and among themselves voted on "Chum of the Week."

Eighty spirited women made up the club with six officers: President, Phyllis Dittrich; Vice President, Jennifer Drastata; Secretary, Alane Kappus; treasurer, Kim Kunkel; and Spirit Leaders, Nancy Hobbs and Janey Quinn.

1. Chums; Front row: LaDonna Joswick, Risa Hueble, Phyllis Dittrich, Jennifer Drastata, Alane Kappus, Nancy Womac, Stacy Trammel; Second row, Leanne Bott, Joanie Ferguson, Susan Donaldson, Barbara Rammage, Marianne Wainwright, Annie Sierra, Julia Farris, Angela Pitre, Sharla Frame; Third row, Blenda Osborne, Christine Wilford, Karen Paulsen, Veronica Sua-seda, Patti Flint, Debbie Wagonner, Julia Gardy, Carol Conrad, Teri Patterson, Janet Brophy, Mary Held, Laura Kelly, Mrs. Tennyson, Rene Plengemeyer. Not Shown; Julie Pavlick, Janey Quinn, Tammy Solomon 2. Chum Marianne Wainwright wonders what's holding things up. 3. Bearkeepers parade the Mighty Bear. 4. Chums encourage seniors girls in cheering on the team. 5. Bearkeepers support the number one team.

Bearkeepers

Bear Band Plays On



The marching band, which is composed of symphonic, concert, and cadet band members, started off the year with a good marching season and a first division at UIL marching contests. The season was ended at the last football game by a marching show that was organized and designed by seniors in the band.

Throughout the year, many tryouts were held in which band members could display their talents and be honored for them. In November, Region Orchestra tryouts were held. The band members who qualified for this orchestra and Area Orchestra are Debra Lagoudis, Steven Bullitt, and Bruce Gifford. After this, Steven Bullitt went on to make the All-State Symphony Orchestra. The All-District Band tryouts were held in December, and the top players went on to make the All-Region Band. The higher chairs of the All-Region Band made the Area Band. Paul Pedersen, Debra Lagoudis and Bruce Gifford went on to make the All-State Symphonic Band. Making the All-State Band or Orchestra is the highest honor that high school band members may achieve for their musicianship.

At the end of April, the symphonic and concert bands attended UIL concert and sightreading contests. Then the entire marching band left for Jefferson, Texas on May 1. The band took part in the Jefferson Pilgrimage, which was a good educational experience for the students. It is an annual event in which restored homes, from the 1830's through the 1850's that are full of antiques, are publicly displayed. The marching band participated in a parade in honor of the pilgrimage, and both the symphonic and concert bands performed for the people of the small town. Later the band went to Shreveport, Louisiana for the Louisiana Hayride.





1. Trombones: Front center: Tracy Bloom; First row: Randy Romike, Jerry Chovanec, Gary Mitchell, Jack Black, David Melton, James Fortenberry, John Ondrey; Second row: Bobby Clark, Dan Laws, James Wahrenberger, Phillip Govella, Mike Morgan, Jim Robbins.

2. Flutes: Front row: Keri Gross, Tammy Dickey, Rebecca Giles; Middle row: Beth Rimbey, Tricia Hawkinson, Anna Desai, Katherine Barnfield, Donna Kresta, Laverne Case, Nancy Andrews; Back row: Richard Mugnier, Wanda Winkler, Tanis Jordan, Caroline Ismert, Liz Drakeley, Karen Graham, Jennifer Whatley.

3. Tubas: Front center: James Herzog; Middle row: Joe Herbert, John Wynn, Lee Bentley; Top center: John Bruce.

4. Drum Majors: Alixe Reifel and Bruce Plaff.

5. Clarinets: Front center: Lisa Wickware, Audrey Mlcak; Front row: Nina Skuchko, Suzanne Wignes, Julie Weatherly, Liz Canfing, Jody Schild, Donna Yeamans; Middle row: Julie Rawls, Melissa Durbin, David Bunch, Karen Case, Paul Pedersen, Debra Lagoudis, Michael Graham, Kristy Bailey, Kris Rudolph; Back row: Tracy Kloss, Karen Chovanec, Lauren Green, Laura Kinkle, Marcia Crabtree, Karla Sicner.

6. Percussion: Front row: Mike Phillips, John Lawrence, Jennifer Avenoso, Brian Wier; Middle row: Mike Lenard, Lowell Orelup, Laura Gleason, Harlen Loble, Kevin Schild; Back row: Shirley McNally, Byron Barnfield, Laurie Finkelman.

1. Twirlers: Donna Evers and Roxanne Mlcak.

2. Ruby Rojas and Simone Weaver believe that happiness is being in the band.

3. Trumpets: Front row: Mark Smith, Kurt Lohmann, Paul Hillegeist, Marc Wiens, Phil Prasek, Anthony Abbey; Back: Steve Keaton, James Altgelt, Kari Gibson, Johnny Lee, Javier ARocha, Vincent Mueller.

4. Mr. Glynn Denty, head band director: A messy desk is the mark of a genius?

5. Saxophones: Front row: Roxanne Huddall, Melinda Svetlik, Jeff Bobb; Middle row: Lee Barron, John Welch, Chuck Hower, John Lann; Back row: Jay Linn, Pual Lopez, Patrick Bernard, David Milligan, Joel Goss.

6. Baritones: Front center: Doyle Bailey; Back row: Kevin Kentner, Brian Fields, James Oevermann, DAVID Black, Bobby Ondrey.

7. Mr. Dennis Bishop, assistant band director: A band director's work is never done.

8. Looks like someone forgot his music: Johnny Lee gets caught in the act.

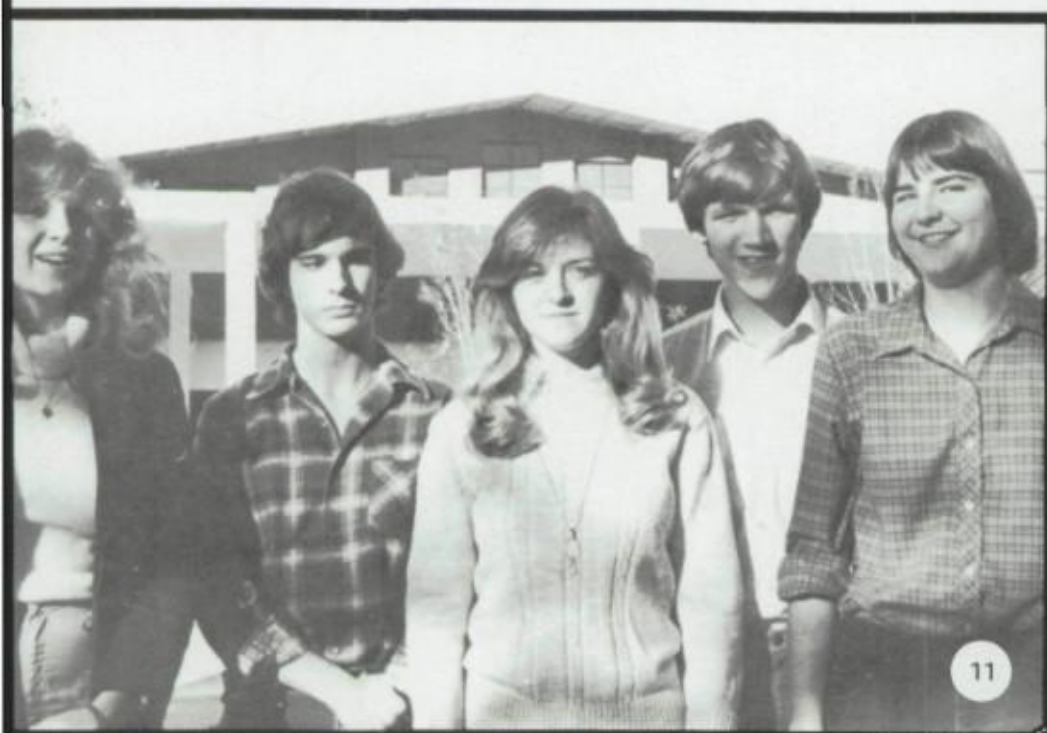
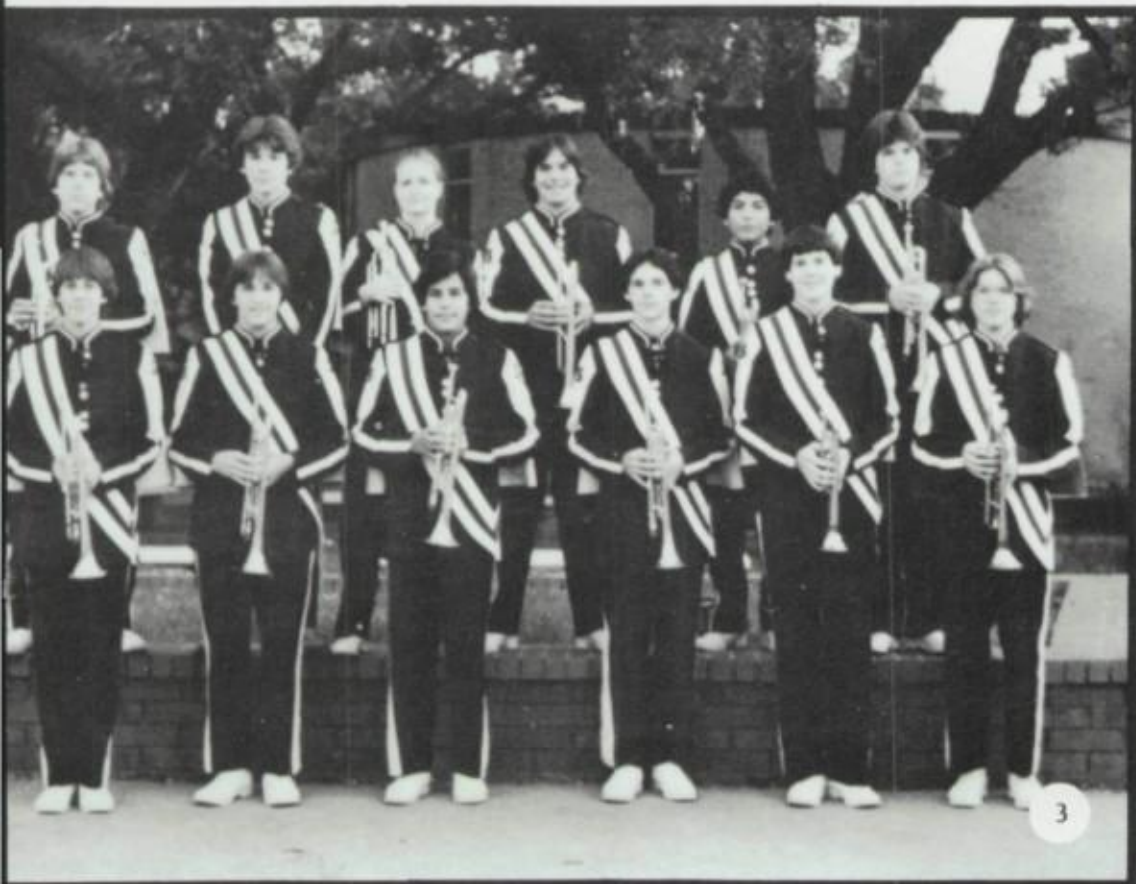
9. French Horns: Clockwise from top center, Kelly Smith, Christine Klander, Linda ARocha, Tricia Baker, Shauna Pryor, Steven Bullitt, Bruce Gifford.

10. Flags: Front row: Christina Pariza, Ellen Ford, Donna Robinson, Kerrin Rosenbaum, Simone Weaver, Sandra Stevens; Back row: Lynell Goodrum, Sherrel Murray, Joanne Weinzierl, Cynthia Schneider, Karen Bailey, Katrina Tatom, Ruby Rojas.

11. Officers: Librarian Tanis Jordan; Vice-President Bobby Clark; Sweetheart Karen Case; President Steven Bullitt; Hlstorian Wanda Winkler.

12. Bass Clarinets: Front row: Tracy Pinkston, Tim Gagner, Kelley Broadaway; Back row: Mark Patton, David Williams, John Evans.







look at these kicks! The Brigade began work early during the summer and led to their collection of ribbons and trophies by participating in work shops, competitions, parades, and other activities.

Before and after the school year began, many hours of practice took place for weekly football game half-time performances, the Fiestas Patrias Parade, Antelope Valley Homecoming Parade, Company Awards, Competitions, officer try-outs and the Blue and White Game.

One special activities anticipated by each member was the trip to Mexico, including Acapulco, the Spring Formal Banquet held at the Memorial Country Club. Ideal Brigade, Best Company, and Most Spirited

Company Awards were announced at the Banquet.

Work continued for each member to raise funds for the Mexico trip and to practice for several performances in Mexico City, Taxco, Cuernavaca, Xochicalco and University of Mexico, as well as national TV.

Ms. Biddy is the originator and present director of the Brigade, and one of her favorite sayings during practice when she is not pleased with the outcome of the practice is, "Ladies, just one more time." Commenting on the Brigade, she said, "I am very proud of my girls, and enjoy working with them. Together we have created many happy memories."

1. Executive Officers: Ms. Biddy, Sheri Woolsey, Cindy Smith, Cheryl Broz, Connie Bourque, Manisha Gandhi
2. The Bruin Brigade





1. Company B: front center: Mae Herstein; Front row: Mary Todd, Carol Cook, Leslie Holm; Middle row: Wanda McDougall, Connie Bourque, Cathy Bowen, Elizabeth Zeigler, Charlotte Wickboldt; Back row: Betty Easup, Kelli Smart, Whitney Weatherly, Karen Brophy, Maria Wasker, Kim Ross.

2. Company A; front row, Sydney Staley, Carol Kaufmann, Shari Walker; Middle row: Cindy Wesneski, Tracey Aven, Alicia Babbitt, Cheryl Broz, Karen Jones; Back row: Cindy Witt, Diane Franklin, Cindy Smith, Laura Kelly, Gina Wagnon, Lettie Sibils

3. Executive Officers: Center: Charlotte Wickboldt; Back: Tracey Aven, Cindy Smith, Laura Kelly, Cheryl Broz.

4. Leslie Holm cheers with Brigade on Homecoming victory.

5. Drum Majorette Rhonda Tawater cheers on the team at a pep rally.

6. Company C: front center, Debbie Knott; Front row: Donna Symank, Denise Durbin, Yvette Arevelo, Gay-Lynn Pierce, Rhonda Tawater, Laura Chon, Anjanette Jawahir, Tracey Perwin, Debbie Hill; Back row: Sheri Woolsey, Rhonda Enclade, Christine Barra, Tammy Silvernail, Allison Kingsbury, Tracey Bincent, Melisa Evans.



Orchestra Shows Fine Tuning

The orchestra spent the year involved in numerous activities. The back-to-school orchestra party was held at Pauncho's. Another highlight of the year was the Christmas concert presented in the auditorium. Students also rehearsed for several months with the FIDDLER cast and participated in the production held in the SBHS auditorium in February.

Orchestra students traveled to various junior high schools throughout the year to recruit students for the Spring Branch music department.

The orchestra closed out the year with a banquet at the Steak and Ale.

1. The orchestra. 2. Mr. Wayne English 3. Janet Riggs and Rhonda Gebler play the cello. Dewey Austin plays bass. 4. Orchestra: Front: Dewey Austin, David Hebert, Maria Rico, Steve Tran. Back row: Heidi Jahns, Lynell Goodrum, Stephanie Scholl, Janet Riggs, Mr. Wayne English, director; Renee Freeland, Chip Stewart, John Randolph.



Chorale Strives For Excellence



The chorale began the year with many new members, and they all worked to achieve their goal of excellence. The first activity involved a performance with the other choirs of SBISD at Spring Woods High School on October 7. The chorale also sang at Sam Houston State University in a concert that was given by several choirs from around Houston; the chorale received the Honor Choir Award. They planned many more performances this year, and they also held a banquet at the Adams Mark Hotel on May 9.

At the beginning of the year, competitions in which individuals could participate were held. Denise Sumrow, Karen Case, Wendy Teas, Roxane Mlcak, and Monica Hedding made All-District Choir. Karen Case and Denise Sumrow went on to make All-Region Choir. The choir as a whole planned to compete in UIL contests and worked very hard to show its high caliber.

1. Mr. Dan Corbin, choir director, addresses the audience before the chorale's performance in the Christmas Concert.

2. Chorale members: Front row: Tricia Brown, Dana Love, Patrice Jolivet, Judy Conley, Lisa Montz, Karen Case, Denise Sumrow, Wendy Teas, Pam Barker, Kim Cooper, Michelle Avenoso; Middle row: Laurie Sicily, Veronica Kahanek, Roxane Mlcak, Lamont Schofield, Chris Hyman, John Beeman, Eric Ichon, Mike Plummer, John Craig, Larry Morgan, Tim Poe, Elizabeth Smith, Adela Rico, Gay Lynn Pierce; Back row: Kim Little, Monica Hedding, Tina Meigs, Kim Kunkel, Buddy Hedding, Ruben Rojas, Steven Bullitt, Mark Perez, Terri Patterson, Mary Blankenship, Carol Dowdell.

3. Chorale officers: Front row: Librarian, Wendy Teas; President, Kim Kunkel; Vice-President, Steven Bullitt; Secretary, Roxane Mlcak; Historian, Lisa Montz; Back row: Historian, Denise Sumrow; Treasurer, Monica Hedding.

4. Kim Kunkel, Tricia Brown, and Denise Sumrow sing a chorus of "Praise to the Lord" during the Christmas Concert.



HOSA, VICA Provide Students With Training

Health Occupations Students of America is a national organization comprised of vocational health occupations students from Texas, Oklahoma, Alabama, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, and Florida. HOSA helps students aspiring for a career in the medical fields secure jobs nearest to their future studies. HOSA students hold such jobs as nurse's aide, laboratory technician, dental assistant, physical therapist, veterinarian assistant.

1. Joy Waters works as a dental assistant for Dr. Patrick Fagan. 2. Health Occupations students listen to a lecture. 3. Delores Beller instructs Health Occupations classes at Spring Branch. 4. Health Occupations students observed open heart surgery at Methodist Hospital. This photo was taken in the hospital foyer.



Members of the Vocational Industrial Club train for industrial trades by taking part-time jobs with plumbers, printers, welders, diesel mechanics, and various other tradesmen. In this way, these students learn whether or not a career in this field is right for them. If VICA members decide to obtain an industrially-oriented job after high school, they already have a good background for it.

Some of the activities that the VICA participated in this year were a Bar-B-Que for the students' employers held at the end of the year, the District VICA Skill Olympics on March 6,7, and the State VICA Skill Olympics in Dallas held on April 2-4.



1. VICA: Front row: Mr. Jim Manford, Dexter Pearce, John Short, Charles Cleveland, John Lewis, David Dusetschleger, Freddie Bailey, Gary Anderson, Kelley Krahn, Glenn Holob, Nathan Kelm; Back Row: Danny Garrelts, Tommy Tilotta, Stan Scott, Norman Gruetzner, Briar Voelkel, Brad Olds, Roger Machacek, Kirt Mouton. 2. VICA officer: President, Charles Cleveland; Vice-President, Freddie Bailey; Secretary, Gary Anderson; Parliamentarian, Nathan Kelm; Sargeant-at-arms, Stan Scott. Not pictured: Treasurer, Clay Spriggs; Reporter, Richard Bolton.



VEH

Growing Aware

VEH is the junior chapter of Future Farmers of America. The club, sponsored by Mr. Gerald McDonald, consists of twelve special education students. The club gives the students a feeling of importance and of having a place in their school. They also get a feeling of accomplishment on their finished projects. The projects include participation in the Spring Branch FFA Livestock Show in the horticulture division, landscape projects, and a horticulture judging contest held in the spring at San Jacinto Junior College. Also an area wide VEH Horticulture judging contest was held in late spring.

"I feel that most students who complete the course itself come out of it with enough basic skills to enter into a horticulture related occupation such as greenhouse-nursery worker or landscaping assistant," said Mr. McDonald. "The club provides them with leadership opportunities which carries over upon completion of high school."



1. Sue Daldine waters newly potted plants in the greenhouse. 2. Michelle Sprague makes sure there are no insects on the plants. 3. Michelle Sprague and Chet Spencer take a break and discuss weekend plans. 4. Some of the many plants grown in the VEH greenhouse are ferns. 5. VEH members: Sue Daldine, Nettie Elliott, Shari Lehker, David Mobley, Chet Spencer, Mr. Gerald McDonald, Michelle Sprague, Theresa Johnson, David Smith.

DECA, OEA Meeting Their Challenges

This year DECA and OEA made their clubs active with several activities. DECA was involved in selling T-shirts for the seniors, selling candy, bringing needy families presents at Christmas, and ordering jackets to honor their club. There were area competitions and National competitions later on in the year. "The future belongs to those who work for it," said Miss Diana Miles, sponsor of DECA.

OEA was responsible for the spirit link sale in November. They had regional contests, competing in office fields such as typing, dictation, and job interviews. They were also involved in selling candy and had a B-Kraft sale, selling gifts for Christmas. The money they earned went towards their Spring Banquet, and Employer-Employee luncheon. "Office Education prepares the student to face the working world," said Tammy Solomon, OEA reporter.

1. DECA members- top left to right, Mike Menasco, Bobby Parson, Steve Zak, Jeff Allen, Darlene Mitschke, Richard Elsoner, Mark Roznovsky, Mike Vesmirovsky, bottom left- Marcus Gasparo, Leesa Plundell, Kim Pampell, Danny Klaes, Melinda Brem, Donna Box, Debbra Evans, Sandra Stevens, Rosie Pomper, Jackie Loggin, Karen Martin, Not Shown, Resie Serial, Bettsey Smith, Keith Prestridge, Ted Benson. 2. Miss Miles makes a point of interest to Jackie Loggin and Darlene Mitschke. 3. OEA members-front row, Renee Lang, Gigi Saltzman, Tammy Solomon, Kippie Paradoski, second row- Julie Pavlick, Gretchel Banks, Becky Poe, Charlene Wilson, Tricia McGoodwin, Mandy Brady, third row- Debbie Sherman, Shelley Ranne, Angela Spencer, Tammie Davis, Darlene DeAtley, Heather Perry, Dolores Garcia, Isabel Presas, back row- John Beeman, Arif Sheikh. Not shown- Tracy Bihl, Kathy Cofield, Iris Colson, Dawn Edwards, Judy Evans, Tammy Foust, Lisa Lange, Cheryl-Leitko, Danny Magallanez, Debbie McLemore, Tina Sebesta, Julie Segler, Teresa Wahrmond, Lori White, Sissy Yarbrough. 4. OEA winners at Area Contest held at Sam Houston: Iris Colson, fourth in Accounting; Julie Pavlick, first in Stenography II; Darlene DeAtley, first in Accounting I; John Beeman, third in Extemporaneous Communications.





CVAE Trades For Life

C.V.A.E., Coordinated Vocational Academic Education, provides information and instruction relating to the world of work. Teaching C.V.A.E. are Mr. Richard Foushee, Mrs. Sammie Whitten, and Mr. Maurice Truesdale. The course is divided into co-op, GMR (General Mechanic Repair), and CT (Construction Trades). Mr. Foushee teaches four basic studies of General Construction. They are carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and masonry. "Students that come into my classroom aren't necessarily good in mathematics. They learn other basic trades in life," said Mr. Foushee. "I highly recommend the program," sophomore Damon Williams said. "I took C.V.A.E. because I like carpentry work." The year's activities included district contests, raising money, customizing cars, and building the set for "Fiddler on the Roof."

Mr. Truesdale teaches the basics of mechanical work. Students repair small engines, do body work, and occasional welding. "In two years, a student can become a good mechanic," said Mr. Truesdale. "In no time he could have a good career, making plenty of money."

Mrs. Whitten's co-op, Chapter 240, has participated in several activities this year. Steve Carr, Melody King, Glen Knudson, Tom Machala, Suzie Patek, and Donna Strahan attended the Fall Leadership Conference at Lee High School. For their Photo Panels at the Houston-Harris County Fair, Steve Carr and A.L. Mayo won First place, and David Bogle won Second Place. In addition, Chapter 240 of the Vocational Opportunities Clubs of Texas was awarded a First Place and a Judge's Ribbon for a chapter display illustrating the theme "Kick off a Great Career With C.V.A.E."

1. David Bogle, A.L. Mayo, and Steve Carr display their entries for the Photo Panels at the Houston-Harris County Fair. 2. George Rose shows his expertise for changing tires. 3. VOCT: Back row: Mrs. Sammie Whitten, Lee Leitko, Robert Bagwell, Tammy Hurley, Suzie Patek, Clayton Garner, Steve Carr, Tom Machala, A. L. Mayo, David Bogle, Ellsworth Coleman. Middle: Janet Patek, Debbie Reese, Melody King Front: Konny Hermis, Donna Strahan, Glenn Knudson, Steve King, Rickey Gutierrez, Larry Hower. 4. GCT members-Back row: Mike Currrens, John Boyd, Rodney Goodson, Kent Duncan, Benny Jones; Front row: Damon Williams, Mike Armstrong, Earl Brooks, Cartrell Young, Keith Henry, Cliff Zataratous, Henry Sierra. 5. CVAE's GCT worked hard on building the set for "Fiddler on the Roof".

FSA . . .

FSA (Future Secretaries of America) is an active organization in Spring Branch High. Sponsoring the club are Mrs. Mary Kay Jones and Mrs. Becky Cowgill. The thirty members are affiliated with the National Secretaries Association International which plans seminars, speakers, and field trips for the group. The field trips to places such as Tenneco, Texas Commerce Bank, and to the NSA conference are an important element in exposing members to career opportunities in the professional world.

The FSA club officers come from each of the three high schools making up their chapter. This year Spring Branch's Tanis Jordan was the FSA president.



FHA . . .

FHA (Future Homemakers of America) is an active and popular club. Consisting of approximately 200 members, the club, sponsored by Mrs. Bonny Green, was involved in many activities.

Like many clubs, FHA sold candy and also sold Christmas tree ornaments through the Homemaking Department. They also participated in the American Cancer Society's Youth Against Cancer day by giving out buttons reading "Kiss me: I don't smoke"

They had the FHA Formal in early November during which a "Beau Pageant" was held and a Homemaking King of each class was chosen for 1980-81. Also, there was a Country-Western Dance held for the FHA students in the Spring Branch District and a Banquet in April. Rene Andrews was chosen outstanding FHA member and new officers were announced. The president of FHA was Judy Robbins and the Social Chairman was Lucy Johnson.



FSA - front row: Maria Bakoylis, Kerry Gross, Tracy Kloss, Alane Kappus, Angie Pitre, LaDonna Jozwaik, Janet Brophy, Tanis Jordan. Middle row: Mrs. B. Cowgill, Betsy Arnold, Judy Beisert, Nancy Womac, Amy Williams, Tina Meigs, Paige Hewitt, Caryn King, Johnette Johnson, Theresa Peyrefitte, Janet Ruiz, Susan Fuller, Mrs. M.K. Jones, Sandra Sierra. Back row: Kim Kunkel, Denise Sumrow, Debbie Waggoner, Patricia Burdic, Lorraine Bentley, Deena Demaret, Gretchel Banks, Melissa Maxwell, Kathy Hartenstien.

FHA members- Judy Robbins, Natalie Collins, Tracy Castro, Susan Sauter, Robin King, Alane Kappus, Irma Rios, Shannon Maspero, Liz Zeigler, Maria Balderao, Kim Stinson, Tina Tellez, Kim Kunkel, Leanne Bott, Denise Fowlous, Christine Wilford; Mrs. Bonny Green, sponsor

HECE

Working For Tomorrow



Home Economics Cooperative Education, better known as H.E.C.E., is a co-op program for junior and senior students to gain knowledge about careers. The members have jobs in day care centers, retail stores, and fast food restaurants.

Along with learning about job opportunities, H.E.C.E. members attend seminars and have guest speakers to learn about topics such as theft and fraud, do's and don't's of interviews, and telephone etiquette.



Fund raising is also a function of H.E.C.E. The members sell candy and make cakes to sell. H.E.C.E.'s float made third place in the Bear Backers Parade and was awarded \$60. These profits were used for the Employer-Employee banquet.

Home Economics Cooperative Education is a very helpful course and is a great advantage for the student who wants to gain experience for the future.



1. HECE members: Sitting, Rebecca Huerta, Carol Conrad: First row: Cindy Derez, Theresa Wilson, Johanna Cocoran, Tayna Billups, Annette Brady, Lynna Mizell, Natalie Collins, Nancy Nesmith, Linda Neils. Second row: Donna Jones, Christiana Blacklock, Paige Hewitt, Cindy Evelo. Third row: Marilyn Davis, Ming Pham, Brenda Srubar, Lisa Hill, Diane Geisler. 2. Beautician Bob Menchaca from Menchaca Hair Salon speaks to the HECE class after demonstration. 3. Homemaking department holds a faculty luncheon. 4. Rick Menchaca gives Christina Blacklock a complete make-over. 5. An imaginative centerpiece was created by homemaking students for the faculty Christmas party.

Thespians

Mime

I.T.S., International Thespian Society, #1294 of Spring Branch High School, is an honor fraternity for students who are interested in the field of drama.

To enter the society, a person has to fulfill the designated requirements and collect 15 points. After this, there is an informal initiation. Then comes the formal initiation, when a kind of oath is taken by students.

In I.T.S. one earns points by working in the house or backstage, or by having a role in a play. To get one point one has to work ten hours. Thespians is a school-sponsored organization. They get money by selling donuts in the morning. The sponsor, Frank Rice, says he likes seeing people work and earn points.

The officers of the I.T.S. of Spring Branch are Charles Ripley, president; Brenda Spangenberg, vice-president; Nancy Hobbs, secretary; Tim Poe, treasurer.

The Thespian meetings are to further the interest in dramatic art and the mime troupe supported by Thespians. When asked what she likes about Thespians, Brenda said "It's an honor. It's an accomplishment. Also, it brings us closer together. It makes us feel as if we are more of a family."



1. Mime Troup Members Charles Ripley, Brenda Spangenberg, Tim Poe, Nancy Hobbs, and sponsor Mr. Frank Rice.

2. "Climbing fences isn't always easy!", exclaims Brenda Spangenberg to Mike Plummer.

Health

Careers

Health Careers is a small group of students who are interested in learning more about health and first aid. Sponsoring the club is Ms. Betty Gregory, nurse at Spring Branch High.

The club's activities include field trips to hospitals and ambulance services. The club also has speakers who emphasize the importance of first aid. They hold meetings after school.

3. Health Careers members- seated, Vanice Cortina, Maria Rodriguez, Ms. Betty Gregory, Laura Hearn; standing: Vay Linn, Ralph Fernandez, Scott Hardcastle.



MAO: Math Whizzes

Mu Alpha Theta is an honorary organization. Members must be enrolled in Algebra II or a higher level math course. They must also maintain a 5.5 grade point average for all math courses taken in high school.

The club met once a month with the purpose of examining the various aspects of math and its applications. At one meeting this year, members participated in a practice math contest, and during another, a speaker came to discuss nuclear technology.

Club members were encouraged to participate in various area-wide math contests. This year, several students won honors for themselves and our school.

1. MAO members: Front row, Mrs. Margaret Dement (sponsor), Anna Desai, In Moon, Charles Ripley, Christine Wilford, Roxane Mlcak, Maria Rico, Byron Barnfield; Middle row, Mrs. Mary Blackman (sponsor), Renee Freeland, Donna Evers, Karen Case, Donan Kresta, John Evans, David Williams, April Davis, Yoomi Yim, Monica Hedding; Back row, Mike Treybig, Warren Ready, Laurie Finkelman, Dale Cossey, Wanda Winkler, Robin Brooks, Chris Treybig, Karen Bailey, Michael Graham, Paul Pedersen, Bruce Gifford, Alixe Reifel, Christine Klander, Mae Herstein, Stacey Willborn, Jack Black, Laura Kinkle, Chip Stewart, Debra Lagoudis.

2. MAO officers: President, Mike Treybig; Treasurer, Chip Stewart; Secretary, Christine Wilford; Vice-President, Renee Freeland.

NFL Proves Its Speaking Power

"We're just really getting started this year, especially on team spirit," commented Miss JoAnn Corona, the National Forensic League sponsor, on the progress of the club.

Some of the students who did well in tournaments this year are Thad Swiderski, Jean Goehring, Kevin Kentner, George Christodoulou, Paul Hillegeist, Jeff Hoiden, Eugene Horr, and Bill Duckworth. The students entered different competitions at the meets, such as debate, extemp, and oratory. Preparing for these meets took lots of research, staying up with current events, and working on speaking ability.

1. Darron Collins, Kevin Meine, and Jan Goehring show off some of the speech and debate trophies.

2. NFL officers and sponsor: Front row, President, Thad Swinderski; Vice-President, Jean Goehring; Back row, Miss JoAnn Corona; Secretary, Scott Hardcastle.

3. NFL members: Front row, Thad Swinderski, Jean Goehring; Middle row, Dorothy Ruggerio, Miss JoAnn Corona, Penny La Fleure, Eugene Horr; Back row, George Christodoulou, Kevin Meine, Jan Goehring, Paul Hillegeist, Jeff Hoiden, Bill Duckworth, Kevin Kentner.

The German Club: New Faces, Old Traditions

The German Club had a new sponsor this year: Dagmar Kidd. She replaced Renate Donovan, who was promoted to Foreign Language Coordinator for the district.

Mrs. Kidd is a native of Germany, and she is very interested in continuing the German Club's tradition of being active.

Besides its annual candy sale and banquet, the German Club was very active in the Language Fair, a Houston area language competition. The club also participated in Foreign Language Week along with the other language departments in the school and took a cultural visit to the town of Fredericksburg, which is rich with German heritage.

"I felt Foreign Language Week was one of our most important activities, since it exposed students not taking a language to the importance of learning one," stated Jackie Twardowsky, 1980-81 club secretary.



1. Mrs. Dagmar Kidd is German Club sponsor.
2. German Club: front, Pres., Cynthia Schneider; Sec., Jackie Twardowsky; Hist., Joanne Weinzierl; Vice-Pres., Renee Freeland; Treas., Julia Farris; Middle, Mrs. Dagmar Kidd, Sandy Treybig, Jolynn Ahlschlager, Valerie Bullitt, Patti Buchanan, Ruth Rathgeber, Marianne Wainwright; Back, Georg Kaltenberg, Kris Rudolph, Janie Wodjyla, Paul Pedersen, Mike Treybig, James Vann.

3. Members of the German folk dance group perform at the administration building.



AFS: Promoting Understanding Between Countries

The function of the American Field Service is to promote the understanding of the customs and cultures of foreign countries. Today AFS is known world-wide, and many countries participate in it.

AFS has 13 members this year, which is quite a drop from 36 last year. "I think students are so busy this year they often have to drop a club. Unfortunately, AFS is usually the one," said Betty Gregory, faculty advisor. "Due to student apathy, I doubt there will be an exchange trip this year," she stated. Mr. Don Hall, sponsor of AFS, and Mrs. Lynn Matthews, faculty liason with the adult chapter, are also helpers in the club.

This year we have two foreign exchange students: Casto Lopez from Spain and Hilde-Marie Branaes from Norway. The two have had some interesting experiences with their "second families." Casto lives with Tim Poe and Hilde-Marie lives with Janie Manford.



1. AFS: Front, Mrs. Lynn Matthews, Jennifer Whatley; Sec., Melissa Durbin; Gary Kubena; Vice-Pres., Karla Sicner; Patricia Bursley, Wanda Winkler, Pres., Lauren Green; Kris Rudolph. Not pictured: Treas., Simone Weaver; Hilde-Marie Branaes, Casto Lopez, Laurent Carbo, Eva Lopez.

2. Hilde-Marie Branaes leaves her mark in the main office.

3. Casto Lopez takes a minute from his busy day to relax on the Spring Branch lawn.



Building Bonds Between Schools



The Good Sportsmanship League is a little known club, but its function and importance to Spring Branch High School are invaluable. As stated in the club's Code of Ethics, the purpose of this club is "to promote friendly rivalry . . . to further a close relationship and cooperation among students of the schools of this district."

Mrs. Jeane Marquart, bookroom clerk, is the sponsor of the Spring Branch chapter of the Good Sportsmanship League. GSL is a small club consisting of only four members.

At football games and other school events, the GSL members meet with members from other schools. The club is in charge of having the game lineup read and the prayer said before the game.

The Good Sportsmanship League builds the bonds that are needed for better understanding among schools.

1. GSL: Front row, Laurie Finkelman, Mrs. Jeane Marquart, Nancy Hobbs; Back row, Richard Tatum, Dana Moore.

In Honor of . . .



The National Honor Society is made up of a select group of seniors who passed a screening based on scholarship, leadership, service, character, and conduct. The students were initiated into the club at the end of their junior year. At the Formal Induction Ceremony, held in April, 1980, new members were installed, and new officers, selected by the candidates, took their oath into office.

The club met on the first Tuesday of every month for a variety of purposes. They participated in activities, such as entering a float in the Bear Backer's Parade, distributing Christmas baskets to needy families, and holding the annual NHS Coffeehouse. The club also served as a sister club to AFS. Funds raised from NHS projects were given to charities of the group's choice.

1. Roxane Mlcak and Jennifer Drastata make plans with the NHS at a meeting. 2. NHS: Front; Pres., Roxane Mlcak; Vice-Pres., Charles Ripley; Sec., Jennifer Drastata; Chaplain, Paul Pedersen; Treas., Steven Bullitt; Reporter, Kim Kunkel; Middle, George Knapo, Joel Dickens, Mark Johnson, Andrea Jensen, Renee Freeland, Robin Brooks, Wanda Winkler, Tanis Jordan, Karen Case, Kerin Rosenbaum, Julie Pavlick, Donna Evers, Alane Kappus, Yoomi Yim, Terri Patterson, Tammy Solomon, Lois Drummond, Edie Davis, Laura Kinkle, Maria Rico, Alicia Babbitt, Cindy Smith; sponsor, Mrs. Peggy Fraser; Back, Tim Poe, Carol Cook, Debbie Knott, Rhonda Tawater, Mike Treybig, Steph van Dijk, Chris Taylor, Lisa Montz, Paul Wells, Christine Wilford, Kyle Todd, Tina Tellez, Lee Montz, Jennifer Novak, Pat Bayley, Sharla Frame, Tom Plagens, Vance Hunt, Lisa Huddleston, Kurt Juergens, Laura Kelly, Chris Treybig, Veda Montalbano, Denise Sumrow, Dana Moore, John Randolph, Eric Ichon, Dede Stringer. Not pictured: Parliamentarian, Chip Stewart; Julia Farris, Maan Hashem, Monica Hedding, Bryan Port, Alixe Reifel, Kim Stinson.





Bear Facts: Keeping Students Informed

The 1980-81 *BEAR FACTS*, student newspaper of Spring Branch High School, experienced a year of transition which featured changes in the style of the publication and an updating of the format.

Steve Bunch and Gary Mitchell shared the top staff position as Co-Editors. Christine Clarridge served as Assistant Editor during the first semester, while Patti Flint and Barbara Mikeska worked as staff writers. Gary Mitchell, Steve Bunch, and Kurt Juergens handled the sportswriting, and Marianne Wainwright made frequent sports contributions to the paper. The photographers were Susan Donaldson, Tony Cannata, and Piotr Kaltenberg.

Carolyn Coleman ran the hectic advertising campaign for the *BEAR FACTS* and was aided by Hilde-Marie Branaes, the AFS student from Norway, during the first half of the year.

Several members of the staff participated in the journalism department's trip to Austin, March 13-14. The students also attended various journalism seminars held by outstanding members of the journalism field.

The *BEAR FACTS* presented the student body with articles on such subjects as the new attendance policy, vandalism, and a lengthy profile on Bill McGlaun, building principal.

Finishing its thirty-second year since the paper's creation in 1949, the publication enjoyed favorable student response and increased readership.



1. Michelle Evans, freshman, types a story for the *BEAR FACTS*.

2. Patti Flint, senior, contemplates a lead for one of her many feature stories.

3. The *BEAR FACTS* staff enjoys the bus ride to a journalism seminar in Austin.

4. Dana Steele, KRBE disc-jockey, informed and entertained the newspaper staff during a visit to Spring Branch.

5. Gary Farrugia, *Suburbia* managing editor, spoke to Journalism I and *BEAR FACTS* classes.

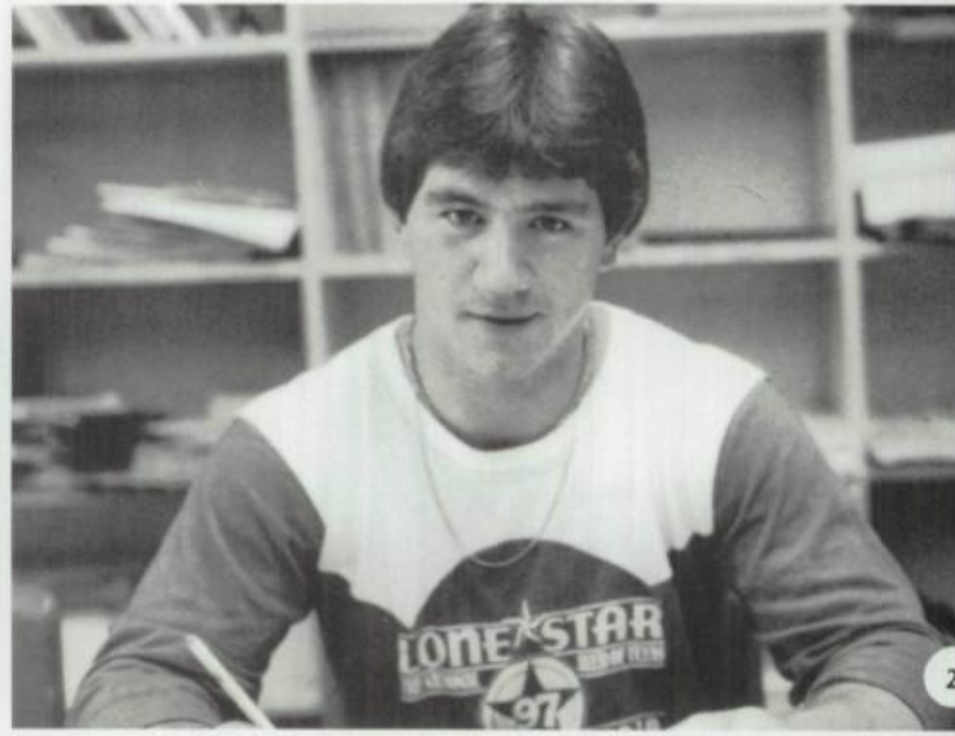
6. Publications photographer, Susan Donaldson, keeps busy.

7. The *BEAR FACTS* staff: Front row, Gary Mitchell, Carolyn Coleman, Susan Donaldson, Steve Bunch; Back row, Piotr Kaltenberg, Patti Flint, Michelle Evans.

8. Journalism students attend a press conference given by Mr. Henry Wheeler, Spring Branch superintendent.

9. Gary Mitchell, co-editor, works on a story with Christine Clarridge, assistant editor.

10. Kyle Todd and Marianne Wainwright take notes at the press conference.



Bruin Starts Over, Meets Deadlines

This year the Spring Branch yearbook staff started from scratch to produce the 1981 BRUIN. When school opened, the staff was immediately faced with the problem of an extremely small staff. The Staff composed entirely of girls, and only nine members. Because only two of these members were returnees from the 1980 Staff, the year began with mini-workshops and training sessions.

When the new Staff members began to get the hang of yearbook layout, the actual production got under way. However, because the photography staff was also very small which slowed production.

Both moral and rate of production picked up for the Staff at the semester break, when it recruited a boys' sports editor, and was sent a new representative from Josten/American Yearbook Company. Dixon Dahlberg worked closely with the small staff in an effort to produce a winning book for Spring Branch. In this effort, the Staff utilized all of the color allowed in the yearbook contract, and tried many new graphic layout designs.

Despite its small number and many problems, the 1981 BRUIN proved to be an award-winning book which rewarded its ten Staff members for their long hours and late nights!

1. BRUIN staff members worked closely with Josten's representative, John McKnown, in order to produce the 1981 BRUIN.

2. Kyle Todd, boys' sports editor, pauses as he writes basketball stories.

3. Lorraine Bentley, student life editor, stays up working on her section at a BRUIN "workathon."

4. Mrs. Linda Boyd, BRUIN advisor, finds herself amused by the problems of one of the BRUIN's many advertisers.

5. Susan Donaldson, senior photographer, prepares to capture SBISD superintendent, Henry Wheeler, on film at an October press conference.

6. Debra Lagoudis, junior, takes a moment to relax as she works to meet an early April deadline on the organizations section.

7. Proofing copy at midnight, Michelle Winters, takes part in a "workathon."

8. Kelli Vance, BRUIN staff member, works with Gina Chesser, J-I student, on layouts for the academics section.

9. It's Friday and deadlines have been met? Editor, Janey Quinn ends the week with a sigh of relief.

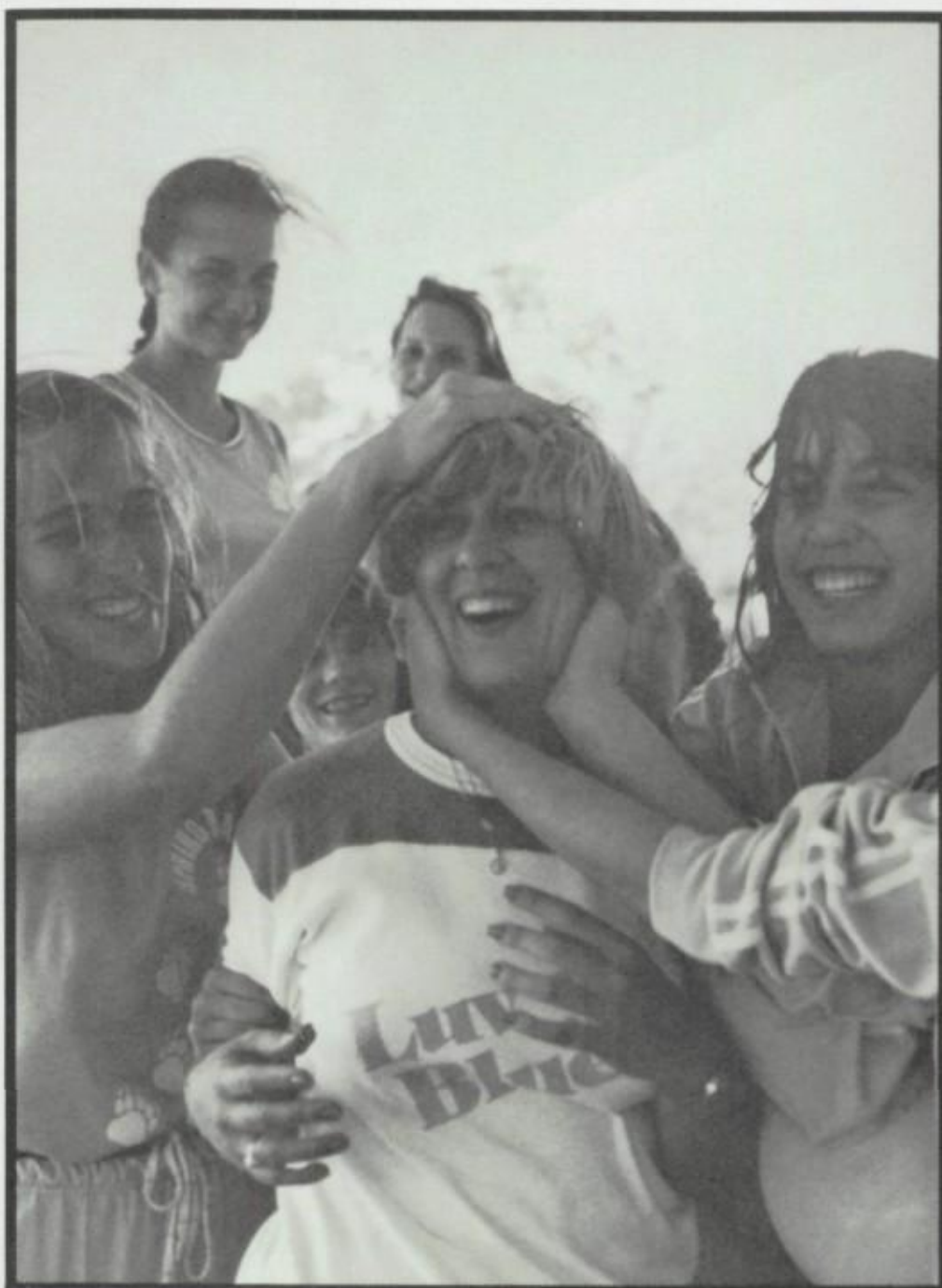
10. Taking a moment to let out their frustrations, Kelli Vance and Lorraine Bentley engage in a pillow fight at an April work party.



... dearly held are the friends left in
the years and lost in the war ...

-Christopher Cross





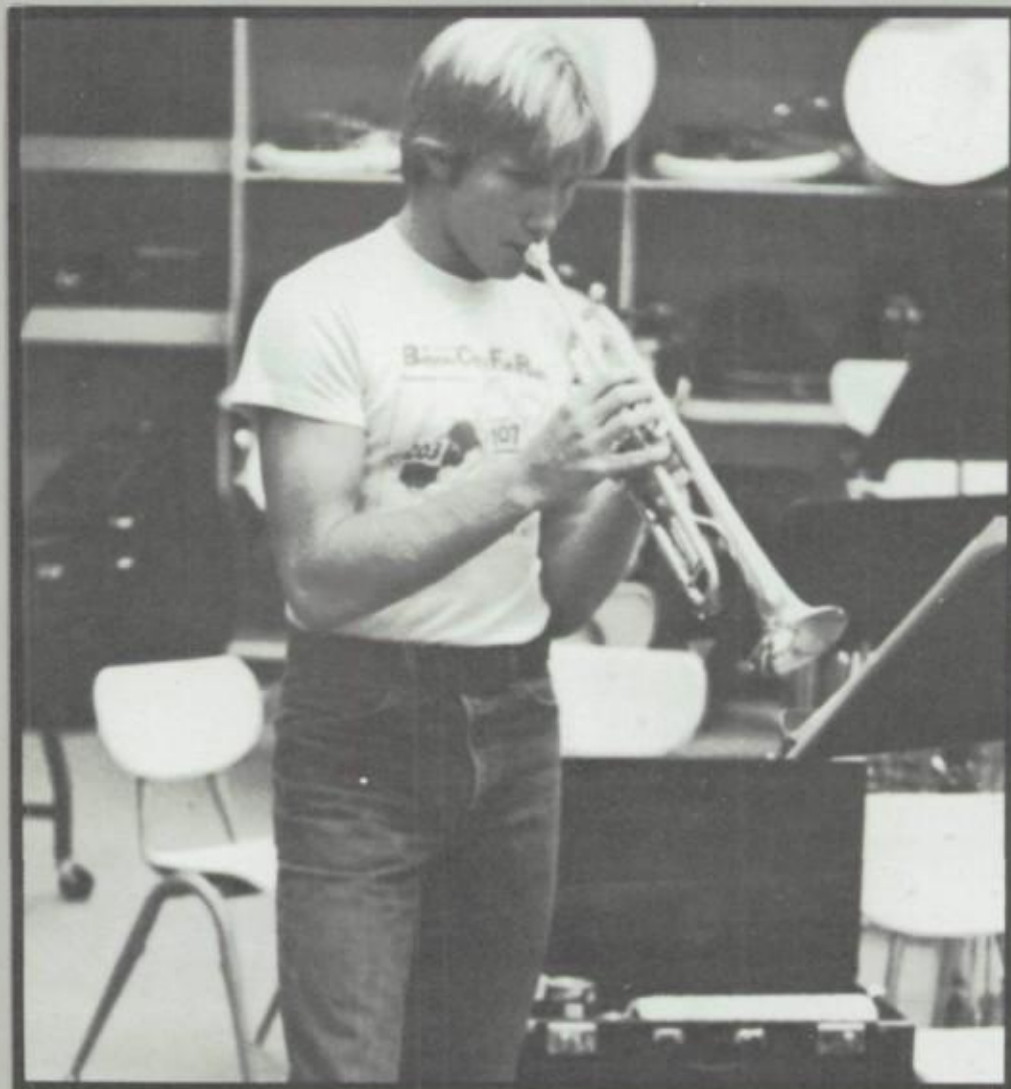
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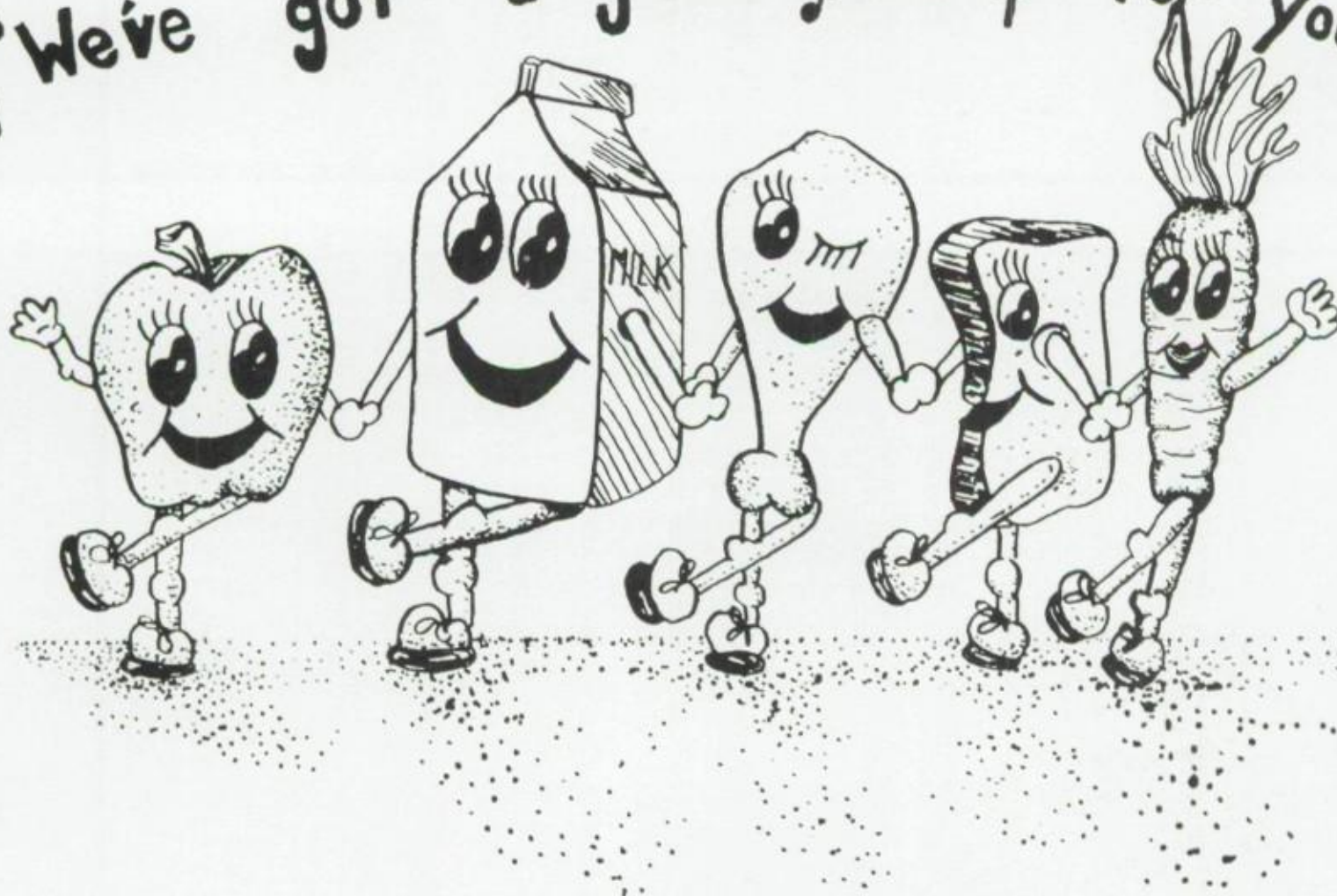
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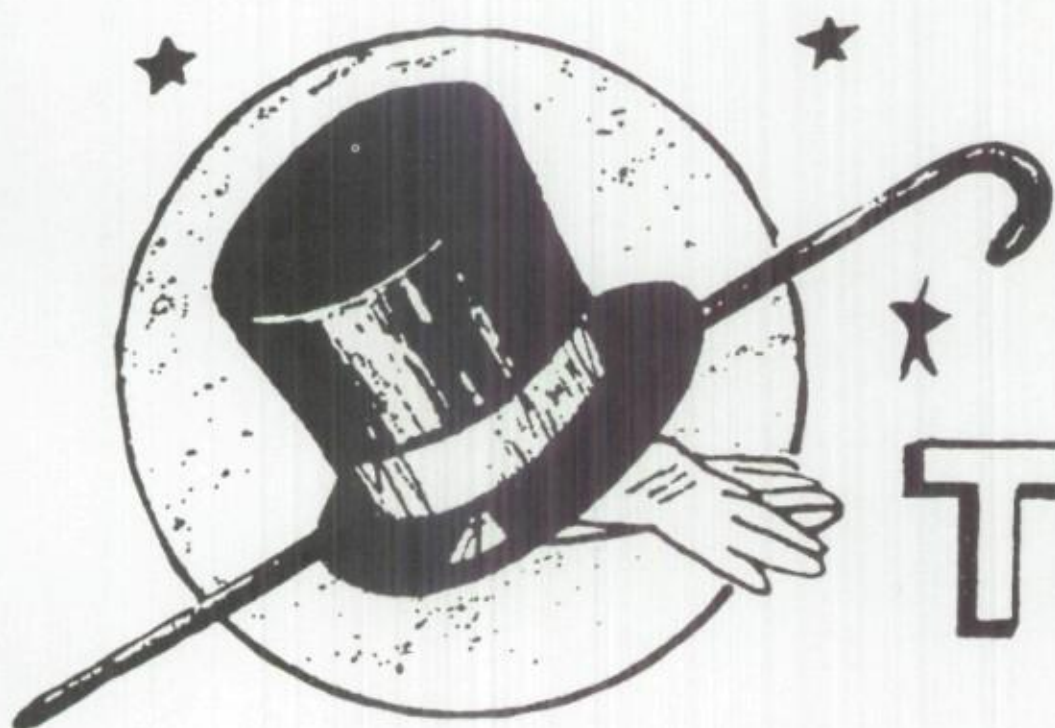
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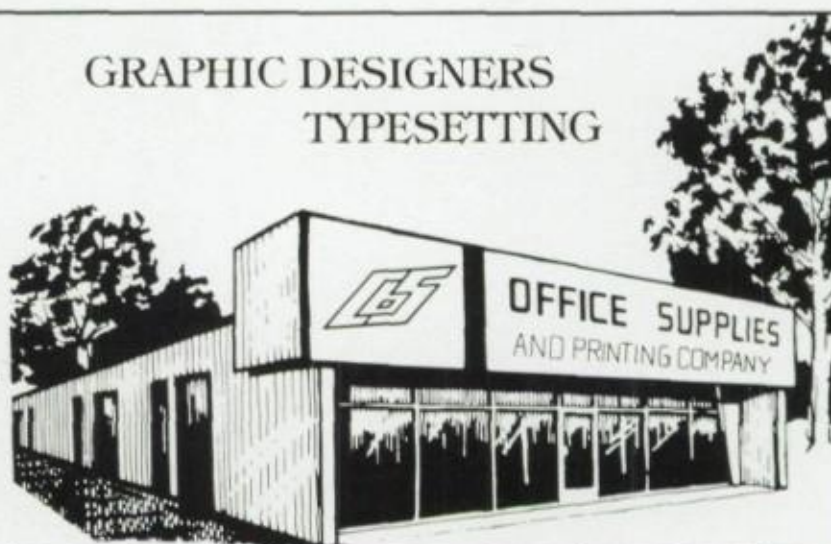
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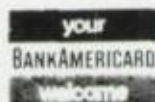
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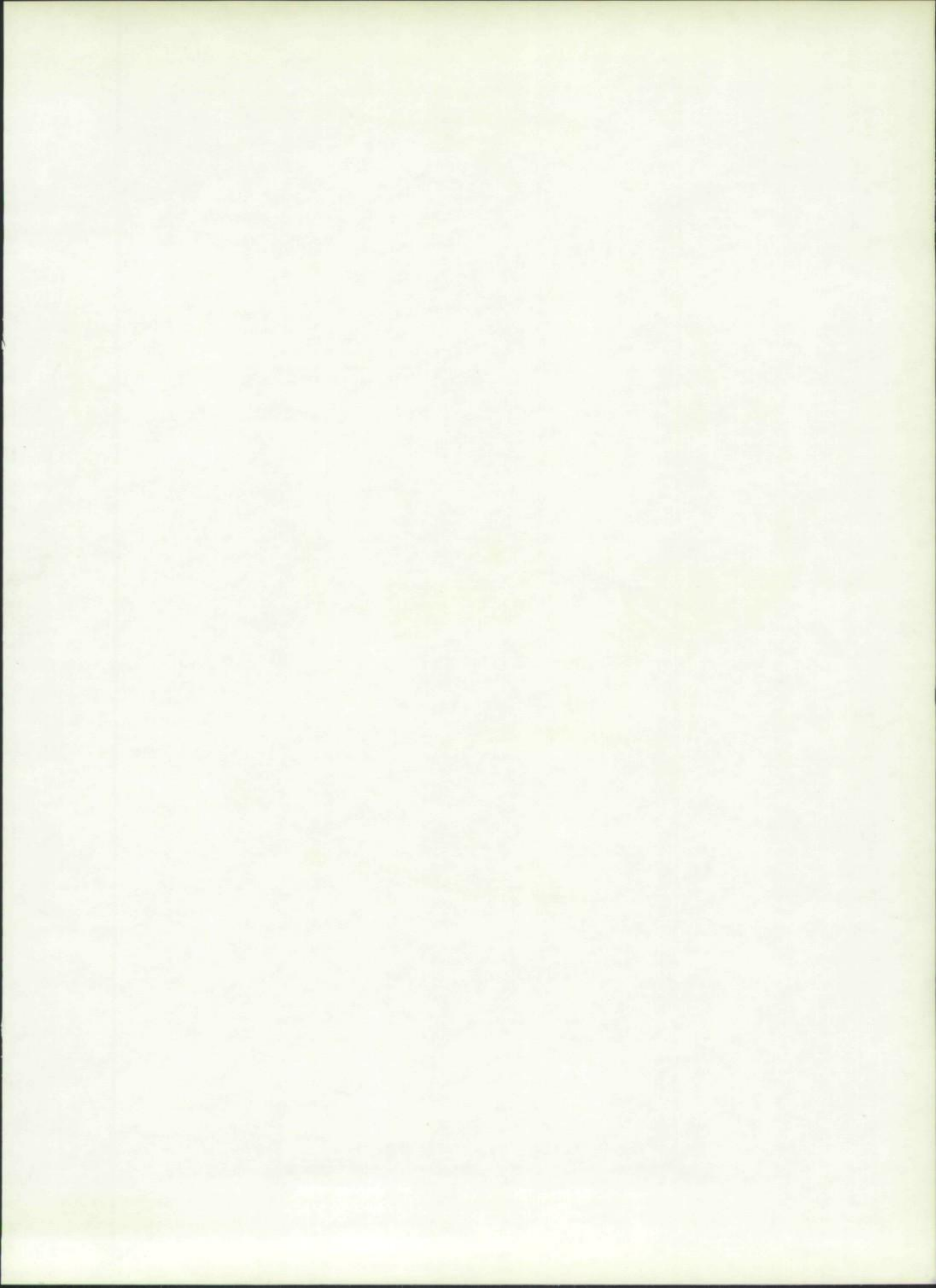
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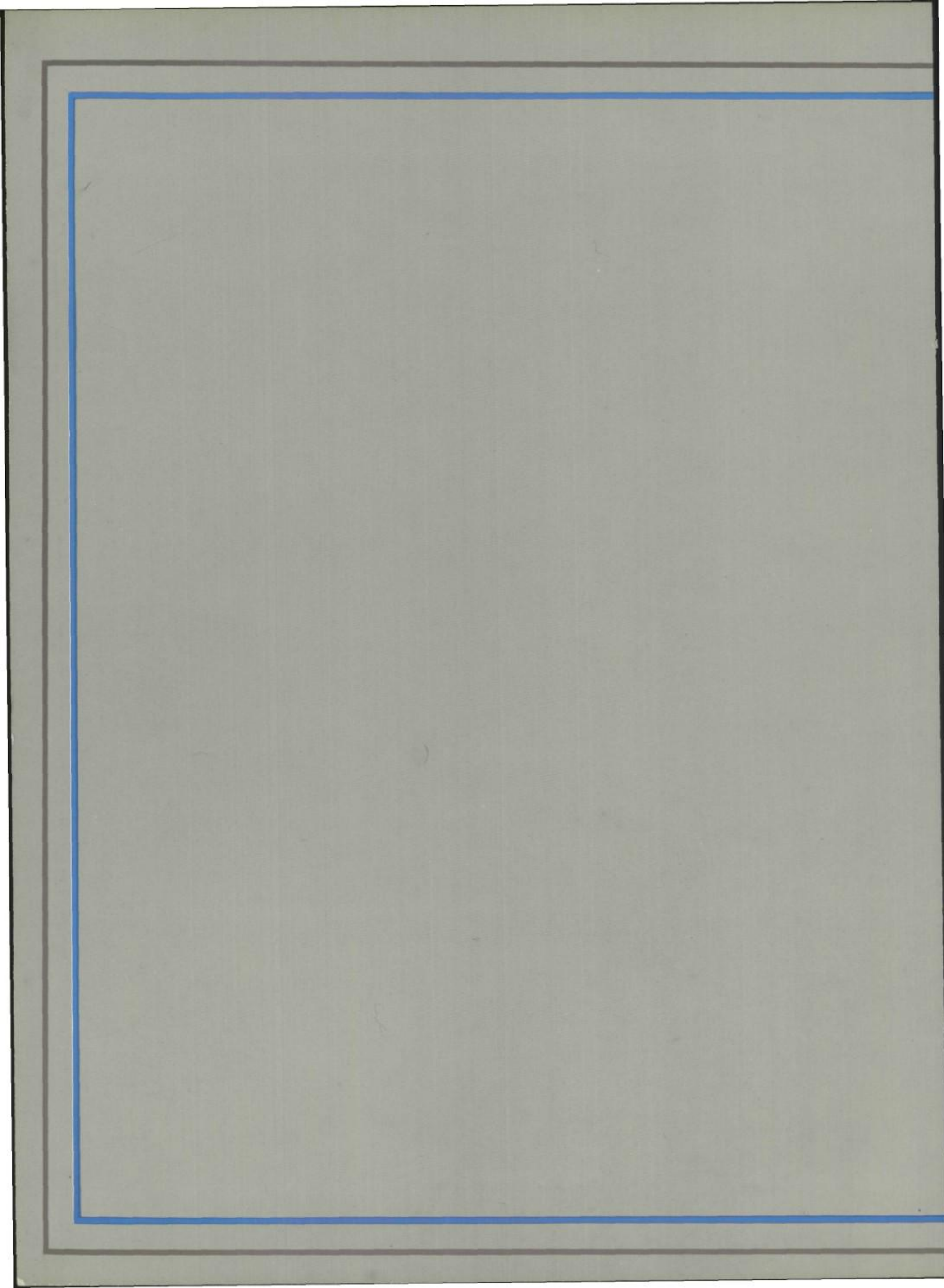
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